



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SOUTH ADAMS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**August 30, 2023**

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE Board of Directors of the South Adams County Fire Protection District was held at South Adams County Fire Department, 6050 Syracuse Street, Commerce City, CO 80022 at 4:30 p.m.

**Board Members Present:**

Craig Machuga	President
Debra Bullock	Vice President
Ernie Anderson	Treasurer
RJ Fernandez	Secretary
Kasen Huwa	Director

**Also, Present:**

Ken Koger	Interim Chief
Bobby Noel	Deputy Chief of Operations
Randal Weigum	Division Chief Fire Marshal
Ron Fano	District Attorney

**Absent:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Additions/deletions and approval of Agenda:** None.

**Guests:** BC Ryan Roberts, Lt. Augdon Greening, Engineer VanDijk, Firefighters Delany, and Adkins.

Director Anderson made a motion to allow public comment. Director Bullock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comments:** Local 5124 President Greening stated that the ranks of firefighters are interested in and concerned about the recent announcement of talks between neighboring fire departments about merging. He encouraged the Board to think about engaging in talks with Brighton Fire Rescue and to engage with crews about this.

**Executive Session:** Director Huwa made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice regarding North area discussions and issues. Director Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Entered Executive Session at 4:34 p.m.




Director Fernandez made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 5:47 p.m. Director Bullock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Huwa made a motion to appoint President Machuga and Treasurer Anderson as the committee to engage in collaboration discussions with Brighton Fire Rescue District and other North area fire departments and to authorize the committee to pursue such discussions, including discussions with SACFD union members, towards potential collaborations. Director Fernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Anderson made a motion to defer posting of the Chief position while the Board committee engages in discussions with Brighton Fire Rescue District and other North area fire departments regarding potential collaborations, with the decision on posting to be revisited at any District board meeting as circumstances warrant. Director Bullock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned by President Machuga at 5:51 p.m.

  
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Craig Machuga, President

  
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RJ Fernandez, Secretary 9-19-2023



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August 22, 2023

South Adams County Fire  
Protection District  
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**Re: Opinion Concerning Executive Session Held August 21, 2023**

Members of the Board:

In my opinion, the executive session concerning legal advice regarding administrative matters, including work-place investigation issues and hiring process that occurred during the special Board meeting that I personally attended on August 21, 2023, was properly announced and was a privileged attorney-client communication. Therefore, no record or electronic recording of the executive session was required pursuant to Section 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(B), C.R.S.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'R-L-Fano', written over the typed name.

Ronald L. Fano

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