**MARION COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT No.1**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

 Work Session Minutes

June 27, 2023

Attended: President Welter, Director Bauer, Director Hart, Chief McMann, Renee Gilbert, BC Berger, Juan Deleon, Scott Wildfang, Betsy Schultz, Emma Bjorklund

Called to order 6:03

Agenda: Hart moved to approve the agenda. Bauer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Local Option Levy:

* General Levy Outlay. Betsy came in in 2020, and was successful with our levy. Betsy introduced herself. Betsy provided her background of her history with consulting with campaigns and lobbying. She agreed that going in November is better. This is based on the public perception. Betsy provided a rough draft of totals or cost separated by month. The costs provided are on the higher end just to make sure when actuals are taken they allow for decrease in costs. Discussion ensued.
* Timeline for Levy. Betsy presented a schedule and noted that this is a draft. (See attached documentation for more information on the schedule timelines). Discussion ensued on timelines. President Welter stated that he likes the timeline and is supportive.
* Director Bauer questions how we are planning on selling going back for a levy even though we have not even finished out last levy. Betsy states that we need to re look at that and plan. She stated that from a first glance there is a lot of progress that the district has accomplished and that is what we should go off of. Director Hart stated that we need to be upfront and clear message and that is what he believed that needs help. Betsy stated that she would need about 10 days in order to get a full statement and look for the campaign. Discussion ensued.
* There was a consensus to continue on with the levy and get started right away. There is also some collaboration with Keizer Fire Districts and we are going for the same amount. President Welter liked Betsy’s approach previously. President Welter thinks it in the best interest to go for in November. Bauer agrees that this levy needs to happen. Hart stated that in general he is on board, but definitely feels the timeline is tight.
* Union message. Juan DeLeon questioned that with the schedule, they would like to know exactly where they fit into the timeline and what they need to do. Have a lot more employees and will be able to do all of the door to door. Will reach out to their international campaign person previously used for some support and radio ads and other advertisements. Betsy stated she will come up with another timeline for the union in order for them all to work together. C301 stated that keeping Betsy in the conversations with the union and Keizer Fire in order to keep message clean.

Adjourn: 6:47

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