



# WINDSOR SEVERANCE FIRE RESCUE

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## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING Virtual Meeting Only Wednesday, August 26, 2020 / 7:00pm

### MINUTES

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- I. CALL TO ORDER at 19:11**
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  
- II. ROLL CALL** Directors Pearson, Rosen, Hansen, Gillingham, Stevenson, Chief Kazian, Chief Friedrichsen, Life Safety Specialist Morgan Matthew, Chief Blackwill and Chief Jaques were present in person or via conference call.
  
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Director Stevenson submits a motion to approve the Agenda as written, Director Rosen seconds. All "aye". Approved.
  
- IV. REGULAR BOARD MEETING**
  - a. Public Forum:
    - i. Public Comments: none
  
  - b. Staff Items
    - i. Discussion/Possible Action: Consideration of De-Gallagher Question on November 2020 Independent Election Ballot
      1. General Discussion De-Gallagher-Chief Kazian



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- Discussion of the formal ballot language approval process.
  - Discussion of John Chmil's efforts to draft precise and legally defensible ballot language that provides the District the ability to maneuver to meet current and future funding and public transparency/TABOR requirements.
  - Board Discussion:
    - Director Hansen: commented that voter education will be paramount to get this ballot effort passed. Chief Kazian: discussion of TABOR's influence over ballot language.
    - Director Gillingham: How can we educate the public on what De-Gallagher means for the District and its taxpayers? Chief Kazian: discussion of current efforts to educate the public about De-Gallagher amid the challenges everyone faces as with the lead up to the November 2020 election (video, FAQ page on website and social media posts).
    - Director Rosen: How does De-Gallagher impact the District's previously passed 2019 Mill Levy? What are its COLA impacts? Chief Kazian: Discussion of general mathematics involved to maintain current residential assessment income by manipulating the 2019 mill rate depending on the outcome of the De-Gallagher election. Changing the Mill Rate will impact all property (commercial, agricultural and residential) whereas the De-Gallagher will only impact residential assessment and is not a tax increase.
    - Director Rosen: supportive of District's current and past efforts to educate the public about its ballot proposals. Chief Kazian: discussion of the De-Gallagher efforts of other fire districts and the various restrictions associated with TABOR.
2. Resolution 2020-07 to Approve November 2020 De-Gallagher Ballot Language

Director Gillingham submits a motion to approve Resolution 2020-07, Director Stevenson seconds. All "aye". Approved.

c. Board Member Items: none



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### V. **ADJOURNMENT at 19:30**

Director Pearson submits a motion to adjourn the August 26, 2020 Special Board Meeting.  
All "aye". Approved.