# MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROBERTSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI ON OCTOBER 1, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

The Board of Directors for the Robertson Fire Protection District met in a regular open session at the Administrative Offices at 12641 Missouri Bottom Road, Hazelwood, Missouri at 5:02 pm on October 1, 2024. This meeting is being held in person. Individuals are asked to sign in. Individuals that plan to speak are required to sign in.

Jennifer Guyton, Chairwoman/Director Maggie Sieve, Secretary/Director Steve Field, Treasurer/Director Dave Herman, Fire Chief Adam Long, Asst. Chief Bob Sievers, Medical Officer Kenneth Hughes, Fire Marshall Suzette Stoyanov, Office Manager

The meeting is opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Director Sieve conducted a roll call. All directors were present.

#### **AGENDA**

Director Sieve made a motion to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Director Field. A roll call vote was taken.

Director Sieve-aye, Director Field-aye, Director Guyton-aye.

#### **MINUTES**

Director Sieve made a motion to approve the closed meeting minutes for September 20, 2024, seconded by Director Field. A roll call vote was taken.

Director Sieve-aye, Director Field-aye Director Guyton-aye.

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Director Field made a motion to paying bills and invoices, seconded by Director Sieve. A roll call vote was taken.

Director Sieve-aye, Director Field-aye, Director Guyton-aye.

#### **REPORTS**

2024 Tax Rates (please see attached document)

Director Sieve made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06 Tax Rate Notice, seconded by Director Field. A roll call was taken

Director Sieve – Aye, Director Field – Aye, Director Guyton – Aye

#### **PUBLIC**

No public comments.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Director Field motioned to enter into closed session at 5:21pm for the following reasons:

- 1. LEGAL ACTIONS, CAUSES OF LEGAL ACTION, OR LITIGATION, ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS (610.021 (1)).
- 2. HIRING, FIRING DISCIPLINING OR PROMOTING OF PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES WHEN INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PERFORMANCE OR MERIT OF INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES IS DISCUSSED OR RECORDED (610.021(3)).
- 3. PREPARATION, INCLUDING AND DISCUSSION OF WORK PRODUCT, ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT OR ITS REPRESENTATIVES FOR DISTRICT LITIGATION AND I.A.F.F. NEGOTIATIONS (610.021 (9))

Seconded by Director Sieve. A roll call vote was taken. Director Sieve-aye, Director Field-aye, Director Guyton-aye.

#### **REPORT FROM CLOSED**

Director Sieve motioned to adjourn the closed session and reconvene in Open Session at 6:12 pm, seconded by Director Field. A roll call vote was taken. Director Sieve-aye, Director Field, Director Guyton-aye.

There were two items to report from the closed session

Chief Herman announced that the Board of Directors has accepted his request to retire from service effective December 16, 2024. The Board of Directors wants to thank Chief Herman for his effective leadership within the Fire Service since December of 1979.

Director Guyton announced that the Board of Directors unanimously voted to appoint Medical Officer Robert Seivers as the next Fire Chief of the Robertson Fire Protection District. He will begin his new duties on October 14, 2024.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Director Field made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Sieve. A roll call vote was taken. Director Field-aye, Director Sieve-aye, Director Guyton-aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm.

President, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors

## ROBERTSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT <u>AGENDA – OPEN BOARD MEETING TUESDAY OCTOBER 1, 2024–5:00 P.M.</u> <u>ROBERTSON ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES - 12641 MISSOURI BOTTOM ROAD</u> Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/92848725464?pwd=JV1SUyccb395blCsiG9C0vja9pO0h7.1

1. CALL TO ORDER:

a. Pledge of Allegiance

b. Roll Call

- 2. AMENDMENT AND/OR ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES Open Board Meeting Minutes available on District's website following approval: Closed Minutes for September 24, 2024
- 4. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
- REPORTS
  - 2024 Tax Rate Hearing
- 6. PUBLIC---Individuals planning on speaking must sign in for public record purposes
- 7. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Open Labor Contract Negotiation with Local 2665 - October 3, 2024, at 6pm Location: 12641 MO Bottom Rd, Hazelwood 63042 & Zoom Regular Board Meeting – October 8, 2024, at 6:30pm Location: 12641 MO Bottom Rd, Hazelwood 63042 & Zoom Executive Closed Board Meeting – October 15, 2024 TBD

- 8. THE ROBERTSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL HOLD A CLOSED SESSION. THE CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH RSMO 610.021:
  - 1. LEGAL ACTIONS, CAUSES OF LEGAL ACTION, OR LITIGATION (610.021 (1)).
  - 2. HIRING, FIRING DISCIPLINING OR PROMOTING OF PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES WHEN INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PERFORMANCE OR MERIT OF INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES IS DISCUSSED OR RECORDED (610.021 (3)).
  - 3. PREPARATION, INCLUDING AND DISCUSSION OF WORK PRODUCT, ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT OR ITS REPRESENTATIVES FOR DISTRICT LITIGATION AND I.A.F.F. NEGOTAIATIONS (610.021 (9)).
- REOPEN FROM CLOSED
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ROBERTSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

A public hearing will be held at 5:00 pm, on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at the District's Administration Building, 12641

Missouri Bottom Road, Hazelwood MO. The citizens may be heard on the property tax rates proposed to be set by the Robertson Fire Protection District, a political subdivision. The tax rates shall be set to produce the revenues needed for the budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025. Each tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of revenue required by the current assessed valuation. The result is multiplied by 100 so that the tax rate will be expressed in cents per \$100 assessed valuation.

Assessed Valuation		Current Tax Year	Prior Tax Year	
(by categories)	2024		2023	
Real Estate				
Residential	\$	56,021,600	\$ 55,686,690	
Commercial		268,423,390		
Agricultural	\$ \$	306,050	\$ 306,250	
Personal Property	\$	178,899,530	\$ 160,269,420	
TOTAL	\$	503,650,570	\$ 278,067,981 \$ 306,250 \$ 160,269,420 \$ 494,330,341	
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FUND	Amount of Property Tax		Proposed Tax Rates for	
General Fund	Revenue Budgeted for 2024		Tax Year 2024 (per \$100)	
Real Estate				
Residential	\$	201,678	0.3600	
Commercial	\$	3,194,238	1.1900	
Agricultural	\$	3,642	1.1900	
Personal Property	\$	2,128,904	1.1900	
	\$	5,528,463		
Pension Fund				
Real Estate				
Residential	\$	92,436	0.1650	
Commercial	\$ \$	512,689	0.1910	
Agricultural	\$	612	0.2000	
Personal Property	\$	357,799	0.2000	
	\$	963,535		
Dispatch Fund				
Real Estate			<u></u>	
Residential	\$	23,529	0.0420	
Commercial	\$ \$	128,843	0.0480	
Agricultural	\$	153	0.0500	
Personal Property	\$	89,450	0.0500	
	\$	241,975		
Ambulance Fund				
Real Estate	<u> </u>	97.07.		
Residential	\$	87,954	0.1570	
Commercial	\$	1,790,384	0.6670	
Agricultural	\$	1,971	0.6440	
Personal Property	<u>\$</u>	1,252,297	0.7000	
	\$	3,132,606		
Debt Service Fund				
Real Estate		····		
Residential	\$	149,017	0.2660	
Commercial	\$	714,006	0.2660	
Agricultural	\$	814	0.2660	
	\$	475,873	0.2660	
Personal Property				
	\$	1,339,711	*:	

\*Note: The proposed tax rates are based upon current information from the St. Louis County Assessor. The rates are subject to change prior to adoption based upon additional information from the County Assessor.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ROBERTSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
St. Louis County, Missouri



Officers
Dave Herman, Fire Chief
Adam Long, Assistant Fire Chief
Kenneth Hughes, Fire Marshall
Robert Sievers, Medical Officer

RES# 2024-6

WHEREAS, The Board of Directors of the Robertson Fire Protection District of St. Louis County, Missouri, at a public hearing held October 1, 2024, discussed the financial affairs and expenses for the Robertson Fire Protection District's 2025 fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing is required by the Missouri Revised Statutes concerning the proposed budget and tax rate with said Public Hearing being held on October 1, 2024, and,

WHEREAS, The Board of Directors of the Robertson Fire Protection District of St. Louis County, Missouri, after study of the District's finances and contingent expenses for 2025, which includes general operating, emergency ambulance service, dispatching, pension and debt service expenses, have arrived at a regular tax levy for the 2024 tax year for utilization in the 2025 fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROBERTSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The 2024 tax levy within the Robertson Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Robertson Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be a total of (\$0.99) Dollars per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation for the residential tax rate and is broken down as follows:

\$0.3600 Dollars per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the general operating expenses as provided in Sections 321.610 and 321.241 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.1570 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for emergency ambulance service as provided in Section 321.225 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.0420 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing central fire and emergency dispatching as provided in Section 321.243 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.1650 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue to fund the employees' pension plan of the District as provided in Section 321.610 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

- \$0.2660 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue required for debt service as provided in Section 321.260 and 321.330 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
- 2. The 2024 tax levy within the Robertson Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Robertson Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be a total of (\$2.406) Dollars per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation for the agricultural tax rate and is broken down as follows:
  - \$1.1900 Dollars per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the general operating expenses as provided in Sections 321.610 and 321.241 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
  - \$0.7000 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for emergency ambulance service as provided in Section 321.225 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
  - \$0.0500 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing central fire and emergency dispatching as provided in Section 321.243 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
  - \$0.2000 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue to fund the employees pension plan of the District as provided in Section 321.610 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
  - \$0.2660 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue required for debt service as provided in Section 321.260 and 321.330 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
- 3. The 2024 tax levy within the Robertson Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Robertson Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be a total of (\$2.362) Dollars per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation for the commercial tax rate and is broken down as follows:
  - \$1.1900 Dollars per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the general operating expenses as provided in Sections 321.610 and 321.241 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
  - \$0.6670 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for emergency ambulance service as provided in Section 321.225 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
  - \$0.0480 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing central fire and emergency dispatching as provided in Section 321.243 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.1910 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue to fund the employees pension plan of the District as provided in Section 321.610 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.2660 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue required for debt service as provided in Section 321.260 and 321.330 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

4. The 2024 tax levy within the Robertson Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Robertson Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be total of (\$2.406) Dollars per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation for the personal property tax rate and is broken down as follows:

\$1.1900 Dollars per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the general operating expenses as provided in Sections 321.610 and 321.241 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.7000 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for emergency ambulance service as provided in Section 321.225 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.0500 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing central fire and emergency dispatching as provided in Section 321.243 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.2000 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue to fund the employees pension plan of the District as provided in Section 321.610 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

\$0.2660 Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue required for debt service as provided in Section 321.260 and 321.330 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

5. Pursuant to Senate Bill 870 enacted into law by the 99" General Assembly of the Missouri Legislature and signed by the Governor, the District shall set an annual reimbursement rate for financing pursuant to Chapter 99 RSMo, Chapter 100 RSMo and Chapter 353 RSMo. The reimbursement rate for the District beginning upon the approval! of the District's tax rate shall be 100%. Beginning August 28, 2018 and thereafter, the District shall be entitled to reimbursement from the special allocation funds as defined in Chapter 99 RSMo in the amount of 100% of the District's tax. This applies to all tax increment financing (TIF) projects approved after August 28, 2004. Moreover, the District shall be reimbursed an amount of 100% of the ad valorem real, personal and other tangible property tax revenues that the District would have received in the absence of a tax abatement under Chapter 100 RSMo and Chapter 353 RSMo. These reimbursements are applicable to all tax increment

financing, tax abatements and special allocation funds financing or amendments filed after August 28, 2018.

6. A duly authenticated copy of this Resolution is to be submitted to the Collector of Revenue of St. Louis County, Missouri for collection of the tax rate upon the assessed valuation of all taxable tangible property within the District, in addition to several other taxes, as may be levied by the St. Louis County Council.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1st DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024

ATTEST:

Steve Field, TREASURER

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**APPROVED** 

Steve Field, Director, Treasurer

Jennifer Guyton, Director/President