

***SPECIAL TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN  
Joint Meeting with the Village of Weston  
August 30, 2016***

Acting Chairman Fred Schaefer called the Special Rib Mountain Joint Meeting with the Village of Weston to order at 6:03 p.m. at the SAFER Fire Station One, 3901 Hummingbird Road in Rib Mountain.

Present were Chairman Opall (for SAFER) and Town Board Supervisors Fred Schaefer, Pete Kachel, Jim Legner (\*arrived at 6:14 pm) and Gerry Klein (\*arrived at 6:16 pm).

Also present from Rib Mountain: Attorney Kevin Terry and Administrator Gaylene Rhoden.

**Introductions** – Introduction of Town, Village and SAFER representatives were given.

**Public Comment Period** – No comments.

**Discussion of changes to the SAFER Charter** –Attorney Kevin Terry gave a brief background of the Charter and status of the current changes.

Sections of the draft Charter amendment was discussed. An overhead document was used during the meeting to make changes to the Charter amendment as agreed upon by all agencies (Rib Mountain, Weston and SAFER).

Changes discussed and agreed upon included Governance; Fire Commission; Administration; Ownership of Assets; Budget and Finance; Fiscal Agent; Expansion of District Membership; Withdrawal From District and Dispute Resolution.

Specific changes included language revisions that: (1) identified the municipalities joint intent to grow the size of the Board of Directors upon the joining of a new municipality; (2) refrained from requiring SAFER to adopt bylaws; (3) afforded discretion to the Fire Chief for the purchase of unbudgeted items; and (4) maintained the requirement that SAFER's Fire Inspector complete fire inspection in all SAFER municipalities.

It was the desire of both the Village of Weston and the Town of Rib Mountain to make changes to the Charter so that the charter need not be revised each time a municipality desires to join the SAFER District.

SAFER Attorney Shane VanderWaal informed the elected Boards that the Occupancy Cost-Sharing Agreement as noted in the Charter as Exhibit B is prepared and forthcoming.

It was further explained that Exhibit A has been covered.

**Motion by Kachel/Klein to approve the First Amendment to the South Area Fire & Emergency Response District Charter.** Supervisor Kachel asked whether there is a problem passing the Charter without the Exhibit. It was noted that it would not impact the overall document. **Questioned and carried 4:0.**

**Adjourn - Motion by Klein/Legner to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Respectively Submitted by  
Gaylene Rhoden, Administrator