

King County Fire Protection District No. 27

Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27 was held on November 14, 2022, at Station 152 located at 4301-334th Place SE, Fall City, Washington, 98024. The meeting was also available remotely with online video and audio conferencing.

Chairman Meredith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Daniel Meredith
Commissioner Lilly Hansen
Commissioner Kristopher Belfield
Chief Brian Culp
Secretary Melinda Wall

In Attendance:

DC Patrick LeDoux
Lt Steve Bandy
Lt Joe Springer
FF Dane Brookshear
FF Noah Fleming
FF Greg Lussier
Dave Hart

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Public Comment Period

No Comments

Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters' Meeting

At 7:02 p.m. the Board convened into a Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters' meeting to discuss a medical claim. The Board convened back into the regular meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Public Hearing:

2023 Property Tax Levy & Revenue Sources

Chairman Meredith opened the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

No public testimony received.

Chairman Meredith closed the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved the Minutes of the October 10, 2022, regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

WARRANTS:

Chief Culp briefed the Board on the warrants and EFT transactions presented for payment, highlighting payments for E252 transmission and radiator replacement, fuel, and protective boots.

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Belfield, the Board approved the following expenses: Vouchers No. 24119-24148 totaling \$68,943.59 and Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$143,562.19. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

2022 Budgets

The Board reviewed the monthly budgets and financial statements.

CORRESPONDENCE:

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

Atlantic Salmon Fly Tying Guild – Fly Tying Club Meeting and Demonstration
11/19/22- 8:30 am - 4:00 pm - Approved

CHIEF'S REPORT

Alarms:

For October 2022, the District responded to 50 Aid calls, 17 Medic calls, 18 Fire calls, and 11 service calls for 96 total calls. The year-to-date total is 848 calls compared to 802 calls in 2021.



King County Fire Protection District No. 27

Turn-out times: October 2022 – The turn-out time standard was achieved on 59 of 86 calls which was 68.6%. The 90% turn-out time was 2:26

Volunteer Firefighters / E-Shift Program:

- Congratulations to Firefighter Echols, McKinnon, and Recruits Gillis, Magnan, and Portugal on passing their IFSAC Firefighter 1 written and practical exams. It is a great accomplishment, and I am incredibly proud of them.
- The recruits are assigned shifts to start the E-Shift program with the crews at night. They will also do rotations at NORCOM and ride along with the Medic Units as part of their academy.
- Firefighter Jon McKinnon is still on light duty due to his knee surgery, and we hope to get him back on duty within the next week.

Career Staff:

- Congratulations to Firefighter Parker McKinnon for obtaining his IFSAC Firefighter II.
- Thank you to Firefighter Brookshear for assisting Bothell Fire with their promotional assessment lab.

Training:

- The Recruits will be finishing their training in the next month with them completing their Online wildland training. They will conduct their hands-on wildland training next year.
- The career staff attended an MCO training at a commercial structure in Woodinville.
- The career was able to train at Station 187 for bailing out of a structure. This training allows them to train on a skill that hopefully they never will have to use.
- We are looking at an IFSAC Driver/Pump Operator course to be taught through the South King County Fire Training Consortium next year, which is listed under our AFG Grant.
- The Training Consortium discussion will occur during Old-Business

Station/Equipment Projects:

- Tender 152 returned from the shop after being deployed to Pierce County. The shifter pad was replaced due to not working correctly.
- Aid 252 has returned from the shop after replacing the flywheel and is back in service.
- We will have our WSRB evaluation on June 13, 2023. We will be preparing for this evaluation by reviewing our records and ensuring we have as much information up to date as possible.
- We continue to work on projects with the units and the station for continued upkeep and modifications.

Aid-Car

- We have received our final approval memo from Attorney Snure on purchasing the Aid Car for our records.

Community Involvement

- It was a great turnout during Halloween at the fire station, with the District providing glow sticks, candy, and hot cider to the community. Thank you, Lieutenants Bandy and Fleming, Firefighter Lussier, and ESF BC Hopper, for supporting our community.
- The Fire District will be involved in the Fall City Festival of Lights on December 3, starting at 6



King County Fire Protection District No. 27

PM. The Engines will be part of the Ceremony when the lights are turned on.

- The Fire District is also working with the Fall City Community Association on written procedures for a Warming Shelter within the Fall City area. The FCCA is applying for a grant through King County to help with some of the planning, supplies, and location needed for a temporary shelter.
- I want to thank all the crews looking for opportunities to get involved with the community. It is always great to show our community that the Fire District supports community events.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

2023 Draft Budget

Chief Culp briefed the Board on the revised 2023 draft budget with emphasis on salaries, overtime, and on-going increases in maintenance costs. The draft budget illustrated \$1,753,513 for the regular levy and \$703,000 for the M&O levy. Grant revenues of \$53,3350 have also been included in the revenues. The shared staffing and mobilization line items were also discussed.

Commissioner Belfield inquired about the District's budget approval process. Secretary Wall stated that tonight the formal process of approving the District's tax levies occurs. The public hearing is part of that process and we typically know where our revenues will be at this time, though we have not received our final tax levy worksheet from the Assessor's Office. We may also have some modifications with the pending wildfire mobilizations and grant revenues if they get carried over into 2023. It is also expected that the expenses will change slightly due to the current contract negotiations. Secretary Wall stated that typically the budget would be adopted by the Board in January.

Commissioner Belfield inquired about the diesel costs and asked if there were other options other than purchasing through King County if their costs are above retail costs. Secretary Wall stated that we do have the WEX cards and could use them. Further discussion ensued regarding the District's fuel costs and trying to forecast those increases.

Future Revenue Sources

Chief Culp discussed the Fire Benefit Charge database. The first upload included the Sammamish and Snoqualmie parcels from our bond levy. That has been corrected and we have received an updated database, though we do not have the current assessments for the 2023 tax roll. Chief Culp stated we have been working on identifying accessory buildings such as detached garages and large out building and including them in the database. Once we get the most recent assessments, we will then be able to present an analysis.

Chief Culp stated that a special meeting will be scheduled with Attorney Brian Snure to review district levies, fire benefit charge and other funding options. He will email the Commissioners some potential dates.

North King County/ South King County Training Consortium

Chief Culp briefed the Board on the changes occurring with the Training Consortiums. The agencies are working together and will remain under the South King County group. The work that has been on-going up at Woodinville with EFR, Kirkland, and Bothell under the North King County consortium plan, will continue and become a training branch of the South King County Training Consortium. Chief Culp stated that Attorney Snure has reviewed the ILA. Chief Culp stated that he would like the Board to consider the ILA and potentially joining in 2023 after the collective bargaining agreement is finalized.

Collective Bargaining Agreement 2023-2025

To be discussed in Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2022-2 – 2023 NORCOM Budget Allocation

The Board reviewed the NORCOM Resolution which formally allocates funds for the interlocal agency that provides dispatch services, which the District is a partner of.



King County Fire Protection District No. 27

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen the Board approved Resolution 2022-2 – 2023 NORCOM Budget Allocation. MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 2022-3 – Property Tax Increase Resolution

The Board reviewed the Property Tax Increase Resolution which authorized an increase in the regular tax levy of 0.92% percent, or \$15,640. This increase is exclusive of additional revenue from new construction or improvements to property, or any prior year refunds. Secretary Wall stated that the levy amount is estimated higher because the final levy worksheet from the Assessor's Office has not been received.

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen the Board approved Resolution 2022-3 – Property Tax Increase Resolution. MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 2022-4 – Request for 2023 Tax Levy Collection

The Board reviewed the Request for 2023 Tax Levy Collection Resolution which authorizes the District to collect \$1,757,000 for the Regular tax levy and \$703,000 for the Maintenance and Operations levy.

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Belfield the Board approved Resolution 2022-4 – Request for 2023 Tax Levy Collection. MOTION CARRIED.

City of Redmond ILA for Mobile Integrated Health Services

Chief Culp briefed the Board on the proposed Interlocal Agreement with Redmond to provide Mobile Integrated Health services (MIH) to the District. The District will receive up to \$18,854 in funding from King County EMS to cover these costs. Chief Culp stated Attorney Brian Snure has reviewed the agreement and provided a couple of edits for the final version. Discussion ensued regarding the referral process for clients who may need this type of program. Chief Culp will present the final version at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board convened into an Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. for 20 minutes in accordance with RCW 42.30.140(4)(b); that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.

At 8:45 p.m. the Board requested another 15 minutes to continue the discussions
At 9:00 p.m. the Board convened back into the regular meeting.

OTHER:

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Meredith at 9:00 p.m.

Attest:

Melinda Wall
District Secretary

Melinda Wall

[Signature]
Chairman

[Signature]
Commissioner

[Signature]
Commissioner

[Signature]