

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 August 8, 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.

Commissioner Hansen called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present:

Commissioner Lilly Hansen
Commissioner Kristopher Belfield
Chief Brian Culp
Secretary Melinda Wall

In Attendance:

DC Patrick LeDoux
Lt. Scott Fleming
FF Noah Fleming
FF Parker McKinnon
Lt. Steve Bandy - 7:18
FF Marcus Noble - 7:18
FF Dane Brookshear- 8:15

Chairman Daniel Meredith - Absent and excused

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Public Comment Period – None

Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters' Meeting

At 7:02 p.m. the Board convened into a Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters' meeting to discuss medical claims. The Board convened back into the regular meeting at 7:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion of Commissioner Hansen and a second by Commissioner Belfield, the Board approved the Minutes of the July 11, 2022, Regular Meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

WARRANTS:

Chief Culp briefed the Board on the warrants and EFT transactions presented for payment. He discussed the IT work that was occurring with the CAD changes from Dispatch and computer reprogramming. He stated that the previous bank of IT hours was used and another 80 hours were purchased of which we have about 20 hours remaining.

On the Motion of Commissioner Hansen and a second by Commissioner Belfield, the Board approved the following expenses: Vouchers No. 24012 - \$9,600, Vouchers No. 24013-24044 totaling \$50,727.63; Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$139,083.79. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

2022 Budgets

The Board reviewed the monthly budgets and financial statements. Secretary Wall reported that the tax revenue reports from the County have not been received and she will provide updated budgets after the reports come in.

CORRESPONDENCE:

STATION USER AGREEMENT:

CHIEF'S REPORT

Alarms:

For July 2022, the District responded to 49 Aid calls, 20 Medic calls, 20 Fire calls, and 5 service calls for 94 total calls. The year-to-date total is 565 calls compared to 555 calls in 2021.

Turn-out times: July 2022 – The turn-out time standard was achieved on 60 of 89 calls which was 67.4%. The 90% turn-out time was 2:20

Volunteer Firefighters / E-Shift Program:

- The 2022 Recruits, Firefighter Rena Echols, and one Snoqualmie Volunteer finished the Hazmat Awareness & Operations course on July 31. We were able to complete the course within two

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weeks, and they will take the IFSAC exam in September for Hazmat after some additional studying and skills practice

- The 2022 recruits will begin the Firefighter I course next week and take their IFSAC exam in October after completing the course and going to the Fire Academy for Search and Rescue and Fire Control.
- Two of the recruits have completed their National Registry EMT exam and are completing paperwork to obtain their Washington EMT Certification. Two of the other recruits will be testing within the next month.
- Two Snoqualmie Volunteer Firefighters will attend the Firefighter I course with our recruits.
- Firefighter Jon McKinnon is still out with a knee injury.

Career Staff:

- Lieutenant Bandy, Lieutenant Fleming, and Firefighter Noble will also be testing their IFSAC Hazmat Awareness and Operations in September to update their certifications.
- DC LeDoux is continuing to work with Duvall Fire on a joint Captain's test sometime in October.
- The career staff is beginning yearly hose testing.
- Firefighter Dumas is on deployment with Bothell Fire at the Williams Lake Fire in Eastern Washington.
- A letter of intent from the Union to bargain with the CBA that will expire at the end of the year has been received.

Commissioner Belfield asked if the recruits would start working E-shifts after completing their EMT certifications. Chief Culp stated that one of the recruits came into the program with his EMT and has been working shifts. Chief Culp further discussed the fire training schedule for the recruits and was inclined to hold off on adding the recruits into the shift rotation because of their training workload. Further discussion on the recruit training ensued. Commissioner Belfield commended Chief Culp with the direction he was taking the recruit training.

Grants:

- My understanding is that the AFG grant notifications will be coming in September. At this time, we have not received anything saying that we have been denied.

Training:

- DC LeDoux, Lieutenant Bandy, and Lieutenant Fleming will attend the September IFSAC Fire Officer I course at the Fire Training Academy.
- The King County Fire Training Consortium-North is still working on completing the ILA between Eastside, Bothell, Kirkland, and Fall City. As soon as we have the final ILA, it will be presented to Brian Snure for approval before giving it to the Fire Commission for approval.
- I want to thank the career and volunteer staff for their continued hard work in training and progressing our District to provide the best service they can to Fall City.
- Lieutenant Bandy, Lieutenant Fleming, and Chief Culp will hopefully attend the Sim-Lab in Zone 3 to complete the Blue Card Certification process within the next two months.
- Probationary Firefighters Lussier and Hillier continue their first year of training with the department on learning Engine and Tender Operations. Both are doing a great job of becoming a vital part of the District.

Station/Equipment Projects:

- The CAD Project at NORCOM has been completed, and we have finished moving over our computers to the new system with a few hiccups but with no downtime of not having the CAD system. Ted Green continues monitoring the CAD computers and finishing up any loose ends with the system.

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- Engine 152, over the past month, has had some continued problems with throwing engine codes on the heating system. The Eastside shop has worked on the issue and seems to have corrected the problem.
- Engine-252 still needs to go in to have the transmission repaired. It was delayed while E-152 was being repaired. We still want to complete this repair before we send Engine152 in for the body repair.
- The Vendor conducting the work on E-152 almost has all the parts to perform the bodywork repair.
- The King County Sheriff's Office has prepositioned their boat in the Aux building to cut their response time to get to the river. So far, this relationship-building with the Sheriff's Office has been positive.
- DC LeDoux has worked with Snohomish County Fire District 22 to obtain a wildland skid unit that we will cost share 80/20 if deployed. The goal is to have Brush 152 in service within the next few weeks after training with the crews. Our goal is to continue to build up our personnel by obtaining additional certifications and qualifications and be able to make some money to continue to grow our wildland capabilities.

Chief Culp also discussed with the Board the idea of having a reserve account specifically for the use of the Wildland program. Revenues from our apparatus deployments would be placed into the account for future wildland equipment purchases.

Aid-Car

- Braun Northwest is still working on the final specs for the Aid-Car. The question that comes into play is obtaining the chassis as soon as possible, knowing the delays that could happen with ordering. Do we want to order the chassis independently and deliver it for the buildout, or order the whole Aid-Car at once? Timeframes for chassis delivery are very unreliable, and Braun Northwest is waiting to build a lot of ambulances because of the delays. The reality is that it may be the first quarter of 2024 before delivery.

The Board conveyed if there were no inherent risk to purchasing the chassis separately then Chief Culp should explore that option.

Community Involvement

- Fall City National Night Out occurred on July 31, 2022, and I want to thank LT. Fleming, FF Patterson, FF Conroy, P/FF Lussier, P/FF Hillier, FF Echols, Recruits Gillis, Magnan, and Scott for helping at the event. I want to also thank B-Shift for painting the dunk tank and setting it up.

Chief Culp reported that the Union is having t-shirts printed that say I support KCFD27 - Fall City and using the donations from the t-shirts to fund Operation Santa and the life jacket program

- We continue to work with Fall City Floats on having a better relationship with them. Lieutenant Fleming and Firefighter Fleming helped create a safety video for floaters on being safe on the river. We also provided coverage on the river on July 31, with the overtime being paid by FC Floats. Our continued goals are to educate and make sure that floating down the Snoqualmie River can be fun, but they must do it safely.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

North King County Training Consortium

Discussed in the Chief's Report

Future Revenue Sources

Interface Systems Agreement - Fire Benefit Charge Database

Secretary Wall stated that the agreement was provided to the Board for review and the project cost is \$5,000. If the decision is made to pursue a Fire Benefit Charge (FBC) measure, the agreement provides for one extra database update annually until the District passes the measure. The analysis will be similar to what we did in the past looking at property category types; Residential, Commercial, Multi-family, etc.

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Using the data, we would outline various properties and types and make a comparison between the Fire Benefit Charge, Regular Levy, and/or an Excess Levy. The Fire Benefit Charge can fund up to 60 percent of the District's operations.

On the Motion of Commissioner Hansen and a second by Commissioner Belfield the Board authorized Chief Culp to sign the Interface Systems Agreement. MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board convened into an Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. for 30 minutes in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(g); to review the performance of a public employee, and RCW 42.30.140(4)(b); to plan the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of collective bargaining.

At 8:15 p.m. the Board convened back into the Regular Meeting.

Secretary Wall's Performance Review

After discussion, Commissioner Hansen made a Motion to approve a 4% percent increase to Secretary Wall's compensation and increase the deferred compensation amount to \$225 per month, a second was provided by Commissioner Belfield. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

Collective Bargaining Agreement 2023-2025

On the Motion of Commissioner Hansen and seconded by Commissioner Belfield the Board authorized Chief Culp and DC LeDoux to be the District Representatives for the Collective Bargaining negotiations. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER:

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Hansen at 8:21 p.m.

Attest:

Melinda Wall
District Secretary

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Chairman

Kristopher J. Belfield
Commissioner

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Commissioner