

King County Fire Protection District No. 27

Minutes

A Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27 was held on August 29, 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 6:00 p.m.

Present:

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

In Attendance:

DC Patrick LeDoux
Dave Hart

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Public Comment Period – None

Chief Culp reported that the District was awarded an Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$59,474.28, there is a 5% match and the District's portion is \$2,973.72, for a total of \$62,448.00. The request will provide \$25,448 for protective equipment; eight full sets of bunker gear, and \$37,000 for training.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Command Vehicles Purchase Order Change

Chief Culp reported that the previous purchase that the Board had approved for the two 2022 F-150s has been cancelled by Ford. They had sent him an email about a week ago canceling the order. Ford stated that the District could place an order for their 2023 models but they would not honor the same price and the additional cost would be \$16,000. There was no guarantee that they would not cancel another order.

Chief Culp stated there is a shortage of available vehicles in the current market and we have been looking at various options, some less desirable. We did find a vendor in Tacoma that had two 2022 Ford Police Interceptor Explorers, at their lot and available. The Interceptors have the tow package and is equipped with the desired options that we were looking for. The vendor works with a dealership in Arizona and in order to make the purchase the District would join the Arizona State Purchasing Cooperative which is similar to other government co-ops such as DES or HGAC.

Chief Culp stated that DC LeDoux spoke with Attorney Snure and sent the agreement to him for review. Attorney Snure verbally let us know that the agreement looked good and he will be sending a formal letter to keep with our purchase agreement. Discussion ensued.

Chief Culp also discussed the additional costs for upfitting the vehicles with lights, and graphics.

Chairman Meredith made a Motion to approve the purchase of the two 2022 Police Interceptors vehicles for \$88,580 plus the necessary sales and vehicle tax and associated license fees; and to note that this is in place of a previously approved purchase of two F-150s which will not be purchased because the order was canceled. Commissioner Hansen provided a second to the Motion.

MOTION CARRIED.

Aid Car Purchase Update

Chief Culp stated that we have found a demo Aid Car unit. It is outfitted more in line with an ALS unit versus a BLS unit. It provides extra space to carry our gear, extrication tools, SRT tools, and has the sealed compartment for bunker gear. It is a 4x4 and does have a diesel motor. Several of our firefighters including our Aid Car Committee team were able to see the unit in person. Chief Culp stated there is a cost savings of about \$15,000 by purchasing the demo and also with the supply issues of trying to procure a chassis for a new aid car, which the District could be looking at up to sixteen months for delivery, this gets us around that problem.

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DC LeDoux stated that the unit is a 2021 model and was released as a demo in November of 2021, we would still receive the full bumper to bumper warranty from the time that we take delivery. The unit currently has about 4,000 miles and would not be released to the District for about 6-8 months.

Chief Culp further stated that an agreement with HGAC (Houston-Galveston Area Council) would need to be executed and signed and a purchase agreement with Hughes Fire-Life Line would also need to be executed. The Board inquired about maximum mileage prior to the District taking delivery and if there were any other unforeseen issues. Chief Culp conveyed that we would still have a full warranty and some of the kinks with a new vehicle would most likely be worked out prior to taking delivery.

After further discussion, Chairman Meredith made a Motion to authorize the purchase of a 2021 Ford F-450 Aid Unit from Hughes Fire Equipment-Lifeline Emergency Vehicles at a total cost of approximately \$264,000 which includes state sales tax and motor vehicle tax, as well as authorizing the Chair to sign the HGAC Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing, and also pending legal review by the District Attorney on the final agreement. Commissioner Belfield provided a second to the Motion.
MOTION CARRIED.

Collective Bargaining Agreement 2023-2025

Discussed in Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board convened into a twenty-minute Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. 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. An additional seven minutes was needed to finish the discussion.

At 7:07 p.m. the Board convened back into the Special Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Adjournment:


With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Meredith at 7:08 p.m.

Attest:

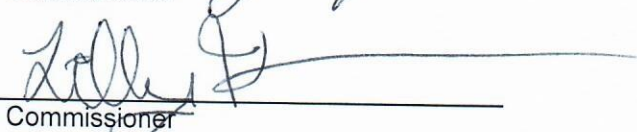
Melinda Wall
District Secretary



Chairman



Commissioner



Commissioner