

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 September 12, 2017 at Station No. 271 located at 4301 334th PL SE in Fall City, Washington.

Chairperson Hansen called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present:

Chairperson Hansen
Commissioner Hollis
Commissioner Meredith
Chief Connor

In Attendance:

Scott Fleming
Robert Angrisano
FF Jessen
FF Bandy, FF Hansen @ 7:06

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a Motion made by Commissioner Meredith and a second provided by Commissioner Hollis, the Board approved the minutes of the August 8, 2017 Regular Meeting and the August 24, 2017 Special Meeting. Motion Carried.

WARRANTS:

The Board reviewed the various vouchers drawn on the expense fund.

On a Motion made by Commissioner Meredith and a second provided by Commissioner Hollis, the Board approved the following expenses:

Voucher No. 21901-21934 totaling \$36,508.84
Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$110,445.75
Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The Board reviewed the monthly budgets and financial statements.

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

Northwest China Painters Guild – Painting Seminar, Tuesday October 3, 2017, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Alarms

In August, the District responded to 47 BLS Aid calls, 19 ALS Aid calls, 19 Fire calls and 4 Service calls for a total of 89. The fiscal year total at the end of the month was 788 alarms, compared to 733 in the 2016 fiscal year. The calendar year to date total at the end of the month was 600 alarms compared to 543 in 2016. The District requested mutual aid on 10 alarms of which we cancelled 3 times. The District provided mutual aid on 34 alarms of which we were cancelled 15 times.

The 01:30 turnout time standard was achieved on 66 of 81 calls which is 81.5%. The 90% turnout time was 01:46.

Volunteer Firefighters / E Shift Program –

One Volunteer from 2016 recently resigned. One Volunteer from 2017 has enlisted in the armed forces and has resigned. Two recruits from 2017 have taken the EMT pre-test and are beginning the EMT class which continues until the middle of December.

NORCOM

Chief Connor reported that the NORCOM Governing Board meeting was held last Friday morning.



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Shared Staffing

Shared Staffing re-orientation training of our personnel is complete with the exception of one person who will need initial orientation. Personnel swaps are continuing to be used to facilitate the training of other agency personnel.

Cooperative Operation Exploration

There has not been much recent activity to report. Late last month, a Swift Water rescue class with one Snoqualmie and three Fall City personnel was held. Chief Connor reported that He had a conversation with Chief Correira regarding the nature of the District 10 discussion, and forwarded an email expressing interest in continuing discussion with Snoqualmie.

King County Land Acquisition Strategy & Community Engagement

Chief Connor did not attend the most recent meeting of the Stakeholder Group of interested Fall City parties last week.

Vehicle Replacement

A replacement vehicle remains on order. Vehicle is expected to arrive mid to late October, then we will need to facilitate installation of emergency lighting and communications equipment.

Fire District 10

Chief Connor reported that he provided a question and answer sheet to each Board member.

Spartan Engine

Chief Connor reported that the Spartan engine has been at the Allison transmission shop for more than a week. They are trying to diagnose an intermittent issue where the pump does not engage correctly.

Wildland Fire Deployment

One employee was deployed last month with the Duvall brush unit on August 17th, the unit was originally on a pre-position assignment for the solar eclipse. The unit was then assigned to two different fires in Southwest Oregon. The unit demobilized and returned on September 1st following completion of a fourteen day deployment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

District 10 Financial Consolidation Model

Chief Connor reviewed a question and answer document regarding mergers and Regional Fire Authorities (RFA) he had provided to the Board. Chief Connor also answered a question from Commissioner Meredith regarding the 1% limit and how it would apply in the case of a merger. There was considerable discussion of the fire benefit charge and the formula used to determine what each improved property is charged. In the past we had evaluated the fire benefit charge using the same factors which are currently being used by FD 10. After a lengthy discussion the Board felt further information was needed before taking any action. Some concern was expressed regarding whether the amount of savings both agencies may realize was realistic, and that the effect of the fire benefit charge may make it difficult to obtain voter approval.

Brush Truck – Slip In pump Unit

Chief Connor stated he had nothing further to add after providing the update on the expected arrival of the replacement pickup truck.

SRT Program / River Rescue Equipment

Chief Connor briefly explained how a new curriculum had been used to conduct the recent SRT class that included 1 Snoqualmie and 3 Fall City personnel. The plan is to send an additional person to obtain instructor qualification next spring (May). Over time the new SRT curriculum would be used exclusively.

Dedicated Daytime Training Officer / 12 24 Hr. Floater Position

There was a brief discussion regarding the employee suggestion that assigning a daytime training officer may result in improved communications. The discussion led into further discussion of the 12/24 hour floater position, how it is utilized and what other alternatives there may be.

Officer Meeting

There was a brief discussion on the need for regular Officer Meetings to improve communication and to re-establish standardization among each of the shifts. Commissioner Hansen asked if there was currently a meeting scheduled. Chief Connor stated that a re-alignment of the Officers and personnel was occurring in the next seven days and that a meeting would be scheduled and held soon.

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Other Revenue Sources

It was stated that this item should remain on the agenda for future discussion.

Fall City Day – FF Pancake Breakfast Committee

There was some discussion of how the organization of a community fundraising event may be best handled by an association or auxiliary.

Policy & Procedures Manual

There was a brief discussion about the need to review the policies and procedures of the District.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Station Exterior Paint / Ant Problem

Chief Connor reported that he had made three attempts to get an estimate to paint the exterior of the fire station. One of the painting companies told him outright that they were booked through this season. He also reported that there had been a fairly significant ant problem on the premises and that it looks like it was beginning to be resolved

OTHER:

None

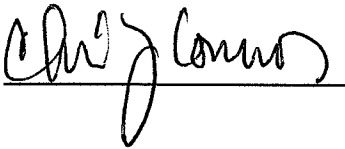
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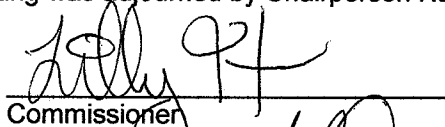
With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Hansen at 9:01 p.m.

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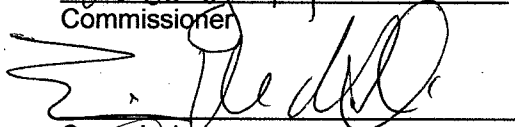
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Fire Chief

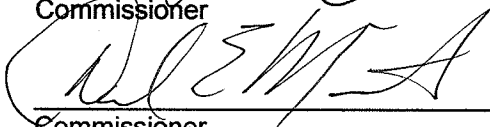




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