

King County Fire Protection District No. 27

Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27 was held on January 14, 2025, 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 Belfield called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present:

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

In Attendance:

DC Patrick LeDoux - via Teams
Dave Hart
FF Dane Brookshear
FF Greg Lussier
FF Tyler Sittner

Chairman Meredith absent and excused.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Chairperson Election

After discussion, the Board appointed Commissioner Meredith as Chairperson of the Board.

Board for Volunteer Firefighters – Commissioner Representative

The Board appointed Commissioner Hansen as the Commissioner Representative of the Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters.

Public Comment - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion of Commissioner Belfield and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved the Minutes of the December 10, 2024 Regular Meeting and January 8, 2025 Special Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED.

WARRANTS:

Chief Culp briefed the Board on the warrants and EFT transactions presented for payment.

On the Motion of Commissioner Hansen and a second by Commissioner Belfield, the Board approved the following expenses: Voucher No. 24970-25007 totaling \$87,159.31 and Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$177,668.43. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

2024 Budget and Bond Fund Report

The 2024 Expense Budget was provided to the Board for review. Secretary Wall reported on the December tax revenues and stated that she did not expect any further changes on the 2024 budget.

2025 Budget

The 2025 Expense Budget was provided to the Board for review and discussion. Secretary Wall reported that no further adjustments were made to the draft budget from the last revision on January 8th.

After discussion, Commissioner Belfield provided a Motion to adopt the 2025 Expense Fund Budget as presented, Commissioner Hansen provided a second. MOTION CARRIED.

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

Dave Rispoli - Musician Gathering - 1st Thursday, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Wednesday of each Month (1:00-3:30 pm)
Fall City Community Association – KC Minimum Wage Information Meeting 12/19/24 (5:00-7:00 pm)
Agreements were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No Correspondence.

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CHIEF'S REPORT:

Alarms:

For December 2024, the District responded to 46 Aid calls, 16 Medic calls, 30 Fire calls, and two service calls, for 94 calls. The year-to-date total is 1062, compared to 906 in 2023. This was a 17.20% increase in calls from 2023.

Turn-out times: December – The turn-out time standard was achieved on 50 of 92 calls, which was 54.3%. The 90 percentile turn-out time was 2:16.

Redmond Fire answered one Fire Call while we were at the Structure Fire on Preston/Fall City Rd In December, we transported 23 patients to the hospital.

Volunteer Firefighters / E-Shift Program:

- The volunteers completed 36 hours of E-Shift duty for December.
- Firefighter Pete Montefusco resigned from the department after he received his final agreement with Boeing Fire Department. We want to thank Pete for his years of service to the Fall City Fire Department.
- Firefighter Trent Magnan has been removed from the membership roster per volunteer policy.
- Firefighter David Geller will be returning to E-Shift this month after he receives clearance from his doctor after his knee replacement.
- Fire Corp program—I am waiting for permission from the National Volunteer Fire Council to use the Fire Corp Logo. When I have permission, we will start advertising for community members to apply.

Career Staff:

- Captain Fleming and Firefighter Dumas are deployed in California and may be back around January 26th. They took Engine 152 and two firefighters from Kirkland Fire.
- Lieutenant Springer is off shift due to a back injury. He is hoping to return within the next two weeks.
- Firefighter Hillier and his wife are expecting their new baby in February.
- Probationary Firefighter Brooke Davis has resigned from the department. We wish her well in her future endeavors.
- The Lieutenants and I interviewed two candidates from Eastside Fire's list. We are still deciding how to approach this position regarding the Fire Academy.

Training:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Total Hours</u>	<u>Average per month</u>
Brooke Davis	171.05	28.51 – 6 months
Dane Brookshear	358.64	29.89
Greg Lussier	316.39	26.37
Joe Springer	267.09	22.26
Kyle Patterson	272.85	22.74
Marcus Noble	270.64	22.55
Noah Fleming	276.60	23.05
Parker Dumas	292.84	24.40
Parker McKinnon	335.34	27.95
Scott Fleming	1388.50	115.71
Steve Bandy	327.30	27.28
Tanner Hillier	255.05	21.25
Tyler Sittner	82.75	33.1 – 2.5 months

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- The crews were able to complete night operation MCO drills.
- DC LeDoux completed the Leadership in Supervision course at the NFA last week.
- DC LeDoux will start his IFSAC Fire Officer 3 & 4 course online next week.

Station/Equipment Projects:

- EMS Transport Billing Update. Per our policy, we increased our transport fees by 3.2%, which was the medical CPI-U from August 2023 to August 2024. Our new rates will be \$980.40 per transport and \$19.61 per mile. We transported a total of 227 patients to the hospital in 2024.
- Brush 152 went to the Shoreline Shops last week and returned with no significant problems noted.
- Before Duvall Fire fully contracted with Eastside Fire, they gave us their plastic engraving machine to make accountability tags and nameplates.
- All our PSERN Radios were serviced by King County last month.
- C-Shift is working on replacing the public education sign outside.

Community Projects/Events:

- The Holiday Engine (E252) and Operation Santa were hugely successful. I want to thank the Union for seeing the continued success of that program.
- The planning for Fall City Day starts this month, and we will meet monthly until the day of the event.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

King County Fleet Services Agreement

Chief Culp reported that a revised version of the King County Fleet Agreement was received and provided to the Board for review. King County removed most of the service operations detail that did not pertain to the District and kept the remaining fuel purchasing services. Attorney Snure had reviewed the previous agreement and provided a few comments. After discussion, Chief Culp recommended approval.

On the Motion of Commissioner Hansen and a second by Commissioner Belfield the Board approved the King County Fleet Services Agreement and authorized Chief Culp to execute the agreement.

MOTION CARRIED.

State Auditor's Office – District's 3-Year Audit (2021-2023)

Secretary Wall stated that the entrance conference has been postponed for a couple of weeks. She will email the Commissioners when the Auditor has some potential scheduling dates.

New Engine Purchase

At the last meeting the Board discussed putting \$400,000 or \$470,000 down on the engine purchase and requested to see a finance schedule of \$793,308 and \$723,308 with a five year term. The two proposed finance schedules were received by PNC Equipment Finance and provided to the Board for review. The annual payment schedule would be \$184,858.12 or \$168,564.50 respectively for the five year term as presented.

After discussion on the District's revenue sources and expected increases with transport fees and other revenue streams, the Board concluded that putting \$400,000 down on the engine and financing \$793,308 would be appropriate.

On the Motion of Commissioner Belfield and a second by Commissioner Hansen the Board approved transferring \$110,000 from the Cash account into the Capital Reserve Apparatus account.

MOTION CARRIED.

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Resolution No. 2025-1 – Authorizing Financing with PNC Equipment Finance

Resolution No. 2025-1 was provided to the Board for review and approval.

Commissioner Belfield made a Motion to approve Resolution No. 2025-1 – Authorizing Financing with PNC Equipment Finance in the amount of \$793,308.53, for the purchase of one Pierce Pumper for a total price of \$1,193,308.53 with a down payment of \$400,000.00 coming out of the District's Apparatus Reserve fund and financing the remaining amount of \$793,308.53 over the course of five years with an annual payment of approximately \$184,858.00. Commissioner Hansen provided a second to the Motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Annual Performance Reviews; Chief Culp, DC LeDoux

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Executive Session was not needed.

OTHER:

Adjournment:


With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Belfield at 8:13 p.m.

Attest:

Melinda Wall
District Secretary

Melinda Wall


Chairman


Commissioner


Commissioner