Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27 was held on August 13, 2024, 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:

In Attendance:

Dave Hart

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

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Public Comment - None

Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters Meeting

The Board convened into a Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters meeting at 7:01 p.m. The Board convened back into the Regular meeting at 7:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved the Minutes of the July 9, 2024 Regular Meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

WARRANTS:

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

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Belfield, the Board approved the following expenses: Voucher No. 24813-24845 totaling \$63,846.46 and Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$190,968.93. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

2024 Budget and Bond Fund Report

The 2024 Expense Budget and Bond Report were provided to the Board for review and discussion. Chief Culp briefed the Board on overtime costs, vehicle maintenance and mobe deployments.

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

David Rispoli – Musician Gathering – 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28 (1:00 – 3:00 pm) FCCA – Community Center Feasibility Meeting – 8/17 (7:00-8:30 pm) Agreements were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Snure Seminar – Spokane or Zoom (10/23/24) WFCA Conference – Spokane (10/24-10/26/24)

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Alarms:

For July 2024, the District responded to 47 aid calls, 16 medic calls, 31 fire calls, and 7 service calls, for 101 calls. The year-to-date total is 590, compared to 496 in 2023.

Turn-out times: July – The turn-out time standard was achieved on 62 of 96 calls, which was 64.6%. The 90 percentile turn-out time was 2:00.

- Eastside Fire answered three Aid calls for us while we were on other calls.
- In July 2024, we transported 18 patients to the hospital.

Volunteer Firefighters / E-Shift Program:

- The volunteers completed 132.50 hours of E-Shift duty for July.
- Firefighter Aaron Hansen has provided me with a letter of retirement from the department after serving over 16 years with the department. I want to thank Aaron for his support and commitment to the Fall City Community.
- Firefighter David Geller will take a medical leave of absence from E-Shift due to a knee replacement. During this time, he will help the District with some IT projects.

Other:

Chief Culp also discussed upgrading the District's internet service and looking into the costs of
connecting to fiber. He will get some additional information on those costs. He also discussed the
District's server and desk tops that are needing replacement and potentially not having a server
and going virtual. Discussion ensued.

Career Staff:

- Firefighter Jake Conroy has submitted his resignation letter from the department effective August 28th. Jake will be moving to Colorado with his wife and starting a new job with the fire department there. I want to say that I am incredibly grateful to Jake for the time that he has given to the Fall City Community and this District as a firefighter, and I wish him luck on his new adventure in Colorado.
- The district has posted the hiring of a firefighter, which will close on August 19th. We have started
 to receive applications and hope to hire in September, with a start date in October.
- Probationary Firefighter Brooke Davis has been doing exceptionally well since starting with our District.
- Firefighter Fleming went to Oregon in Brush 152 for ten days on a Wildland Deployment with two Eastside Personnel.
- Firefighter Hillier was deployed to the state's Eastside for four days on a Wildland deployment with TN152.

Training:

- Captain Fleming will return to SKCFTC next week to be part of Recruit Academy as an instructor.
 His return date will be in late December.
- Probationary Firefighter Davis will attend parts of the SKCFTC Recruit Academy to obtain her IFSAC Certifications.

YTD Training hours per FF per Month

0	Eastside	26.60
0	Enumclaw	24.16
0	KCFD #2	25.10
0	KCFD #20	28.84
0	KCFD #27	30.57
0	KCFD #45	16.82
0	KC Airport	7.66
0	Mountain View	38.98
0	Puget Sound	25.72

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0	Renton	22.81
0	Snoqualmie	26.63
0	South King	22.71
0	Valley Regional	25.89
0	Vashon Island	31.48

 Each shift has been completing a lot of training over the past month. Including working with Eastside Fire on dual company training up in Carnation.

Station/Equipment Projects:

- EMS Transport Billing Update. Chief Culp provided and reviewed the Annual Collection Statistics report with the Board and stated the process is going well.
- The station's fire suppression system was inspected last month and passed. However, after an air leak in a valve, we had to have them return to examine the dry system again.
- The lower end of Boat 152 is back after being repaired.
- The crews completed hydrant inspection and maintenance last month.
- The crews are conducting annual hose testing this month.
- Routine maintenance on Brush 152 post-deployment.

Zone 1 / County-Wide Projects.:

- The Shared Staffing ILA will be revisited around the first of the year. Eastside Fire and their Labor group decided to hold off while they worked on other issues.
- The Ambulance RFP is complete, and the final language for the contract is being worked on to bring it to their Governing Boards within the next month. I want to thank DC Ledoux for the time that he has put into this process.
- DC LeDoux has been busy with the wildland deployment requests over the past month to ensure all the Zone 1 resources have all the needed resources before their deployments.
- I will participate in the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Core Planning Team with King County Emergency Management. As Fall City is within a Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) area, this will help with continued education and help to the community. There was discussion about Fall City's inclusion in the WUI and how it may affect some properties insurance rating if they don't have proper setbacks.
- The King County Fire Marshal and I met last month regarding the ILA between King County and the District. I continue to evaluate the risk/benefit of the district conducting inspections.

Community Projects:

- National Night Out was held at the Fire Station on August 6, 2024. It was a great success, and around 150 people attended. KCSO landed one of their helicopters and brought over some units during the event.
- I want to thank the crews that have conducted CPR classes for the public over the last few months.

NEW BUSINESS:

Interlocal Agreement for Hazardous Materials Response

An updated Interlocal Agreement (ILA) was provided to the Board for review and approval. Chief Culp reviewed the ILA and stated that Shoreline and Mercer Island have been included in the revised ILA. The annual cost for District 27 is also expected to go down. After further discussion Chief Culp recommended approval.

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On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved the updated Interlocal Agreement for Hazardous Materials Response as presented and authorized Chief Culp to sign the agreement. MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Secretary Wall's Annual Performance Review

Executive Session - The Board convened into a ten-minute Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. with Chief Culp in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(g); to review the performance of a public employee. The Board convened back into the Regular meeting at 8:10 p.m.

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Belfield, the Board approved a five percent increase to Secretary Wall's compensation. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Meredith also stated that the Non-Uniform Administrative Support policy would be updated with changes to deferred compensation and presented next month for approval, which will be retroactive.

OTHER:	
Adjournment: With no further business to discuss the meeting w	vas adjourned by Chairman Meredith at 8:14 p.m
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