

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 December 12, 2023, 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 7:02 p.m.

Present:

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

In Attendance:

DC Patrick LeDoux
Captain Scott Fleming – Teams
FF Dane Brookshear
FF Pete Montefusco
FF Noah Fleming
Dave Hart

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Oath of Office

Commissioner Belfield took his Oath of Office for King County Fire Protection District No. 27, Position No. 2.

Commissioner Hansen took her Oath of Office for King County Fire Protection District No. 27, Position No. 1.

Dave Hart commented on the election.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved the Minutes of the November 14, 2023 Regular meeting and November 28, 2023 Special 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: Vouchers No. 24547-24576 totaling \$39,725.02 and Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$160,860.90. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

2023 Budget and Bond Fund Report

The Board reviewed the Monthly Budget, Bond Report and Financial Statements. The Board discussed moving funds into the Apparatus Reserve line item.

On the Motion of Commissioner Belfield and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board transferred \$80,000 from the Cash line item to the Capital Reserve-Apparatus line item. MOTION CARRIED.

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

Empower Youth Network – Teen Leadership Meeting – 1/4/24, 1/11/24 (5:30 – 8:00 pm) - Approved

CORRESPONDENCE:

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Alarms:

For November 2023, the District responded to 29 Aid calls, 12 Medic calls, 24 Fire calls, and three service calls, a total of 68 calls. The year-to-date total is 827 compared to 936 in 2022.

Turn-out times: November – The turn-out time standard was achieved on 28 of 65 calls, which was 43.1%. The 90 percentile turn-out time was 2:24.

- One call was an MIH call handled by Redmond Fire.
- Eastside Fire Rescue handled one call due to us on another call.



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Volunteer Firefighters / E-Shift Program:

- The volunteers completed 233 hours of E-Shift duty for October.
- Firefighter Michael Larson was removed from the membership roster
- Firefighter Connor Portugal has resigned as he will start with Puget Sound Fire at the beginning of next year.

Career Staff:

- The career staff will have changes to their shifts starting in January. I want to thank the career staff for conducting their vacation and Kelly Day bidding for 2024.
- Firefighter Lussier is still on light duty and may be able to return to full status around February 1.
- DC LeDoux is working on pulling together applications for the open firefighter position. We aim to start looking at interviews around the first of the year.
- Firefighter Jake Conroy had his first field delivery on November 18. Captain Fleming, Firefighter McKinnon, and Vol Firefighter Geller supported the delivery. Bellevue Medic 1 transported the Mother and infant daughter to the hospital.

Training:

- Captain Fleming, Firefighter Noble, and Fleming attended the Pump Academy in Renton from November 27 to December 8.
- Lieutenant Bandy returned from the National Fire Academy after taking a leadership supervision course.
- DC Ledoux is working with SKCFTC on bringing Captain Fleming up to date for next year when Captain Fleming moves to the Day Shift Officer. Chief Culp discussed the Training Consortium's new policy that will provide compensation for any extra training classes that are taught by the Instructors.
- Paramedic Brandon Bothwell from Bellevue provided three days of EMS Training to the three shifts.
- Bellevue Medics also provided BLS/ALS interaction training with the crews.
- Firefighters Fleming and Dumas will attend a wildland engine boss class in December.

Station/Equipment Projects:

- Melinda has been working with King County and US Bank to assemble one of the last parts for our EMS transport billing. I want to thank Melinda for her hard work on this project. We may be delayed on the start of our billing process as we are still setting everything up.
- We finally received notice that we did not receive the FY22 AFG Grant. We will continue to look at outside funding sources for projects to reduce the impact on the general fund.
- The Engine Committee met yesterday to discuss the specs for a new engine. Chief Culp discussed the price increases that will go into effect on January 1, 2024. He discussed the estimated costs and delivery timeline that could be expected. The Board discussed scheduling a special meeting to review the options further.
- A-252 was evaluated for an electrical problem with the patient's compartment.
- Hughes Equipment is working on ordering the needed items to repair the minor damage to Aid-152.
- DC LeDoux is working with other agencies regarding a future agreement on vehicle maintenance. We hope to have something to present to the Commission within the next few months.
- Engine 252 is out of service after going to the pump academy. While at the pump academy, it was having trouble shifting into pump mode. EFR Shops are aware and have ordered the needed parts.
- The SCBA Compressor is out of service due to the CO monitor not calibrating. This is the second time this year that this has occurred.
- Brush 152 had its siren box replaced.



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- A-Shift completed making a new workbench in the bay. We will also purchase shelving to replace some old plastic cabinets that are falling apart.

Zone-1/County:

- The City of Snoqualmie asked if I would help interview their next fire chief candidates. I participated on December 5 for the day.

Community Involvement:

- The Fall City Festival of Lights was held on December 2 and was a great event. The engine was part of the tree-lighting event, and then the engine was shown to the kids while passing out fire helmets.
- The Union will be conducting Operation Santa and have the Holiday Engine.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

2023 Ballot Measure

Secretary Wall stated that the election was certified with a 51.47% passage of the ballot measure.

2024 Draft Budget

Secretary Wall stated that there were no updates to the draft budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual Reports 2018-2022

The Annual Reports were provided to the Board for review and discussion.

Letter of Agreement – LOCAL 2878 Change to LOCAL 1762

Due to the agreement that Eastside Fire & Rescue (EFR) and Mercer Island have entered into, the Mercer Island Firefighters will become employees of EFR. The Union LOCALS will merge and it is fire service tradition for the merged LOCAL to take the lowest LOCAL number. LOCAL 2878 will now be LOCAL 1762.

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Belfield the Board approved the Letter of Agreement – LOCAL 2878 Change to LOCAL 1762. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2023-7 Obsolete Equipment

The Resolution was provided to the Board for review.

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved Resolution No. 2023-7 Obsolete Equipment. MOTION CARRIED.

Annual Performance Reviews; Chief Culp, DC LeDoux

On the Motion of Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hansen any compensation adjustments that may be needed as a result of the performance reviews will be effective on January 1, 2024, for both Chief Culp and DC LeDoux. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER:

A special meeting was scheduled on December 28, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss the engine procurement.

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Meredith at 8:10 p.m.

Attest:

Melinda Wall
District Secretary

Melinda Wall

Paul M. A.
Chairman

Kelly J.
Commissioner

Kurtis Belfield
Commissioner