# 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 December 21, 2015 at Station No. 271 located at 4301 334th PL SE in Fall City, Washington.

Chairman Hollis called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Present:

Chairman Hollis Commissioner Hansen **Chief Connor** 

Commissioner Meredith

Secretary Evans

## **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Chief Connor reported that the District will be participating with Snoqualmie in setting up a promotional exam for the firefighters in January or February. He apprised the Board to the approximate cost of \$5,000 of which the District would pay half. He stated that the District has five firefighters eligible to participate, and that it has been since 2008 since the last promotional exam was done.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **Harkleroad Annexation**

Chief Connor reported that he had not received any closing information from the Washington State Boundary Review Board for King County.

## **Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Chief Connor provided a monthly shift calendar to the Board to show how the employee working the 12/24 hour schedule is utilized. Chief Connor also provided a three month overview of the number of shifts that need to be covered due to planned and unplanned absences in the schedule. He discussed the timeline that FF Baker would be at the training academy. The spreadsheet also illustrated that the 2016 budget for overtime increased \$17,424 or 23% from 2015. Chief Connor stated that the District may still fall short by \$5k-\$10k to cover all of the shift vacancies.

Commissioner Hansen asked if we would still cover some of the shifts with another temporary employee. Chief Connor stated that he didn't know if one would be available and there is some conflict with the Local in doing so. Discussions on the current volunteer roster and the 2016 recruit academy ensued. The discussion turned to the District's revenue sources and the proposal of asking the voters in 2016 to approve an excess levy. Chief Connor stated that the excess levy would be necessary to continue to operate at our current service level. He also stated that the District is limited in other revenue sources. He briefly discussed the fire benefit charge and the unused EMS levy. Chairman Hollis stated that at some point, looking forward, the Board will need to decide when it would make sense to hire another firefighter. Further discussion on the costs of adding another firefighter ensued.

#### Other:

Commissioner Hansen asked if the District would be recognizing the current recruits for their completion of the firefighting and EMT training. Chief Connor stated that we typically do this at the appreciation banquet, though this year none of the recruits attended the banquet. He recommended a Wednesday night, February 3<sup>rd</sup> was discussed.

### **Adjournment:**

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Hollis at 11:08 a.m.

Attest:

Melinda Evans
District Secretary

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