

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 October 11, 2011 at Station No. 271 located at 4301 334th PL SE in Fall City, Washington.

Commissioner Hollis called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Meredith – via telephone
Commissioner Williams
Commissioner Hollis
Chief Connor
Secretary Evans

In Attendance:

Captain Larson
FF Noble
FF Krache

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion made by Chairman Meredith and a second by Commissioner Hollis the Board approved the minutes of the September 13, 2011 regular meeting.

Motion Carried.

WARRANTS:

The Board reviewed the various vouchers drawn on the expense fund. Chief Connor stated in the past couple of years the District has received some of its fire prevention materials through a company that solicits donations from the Business sector of the community. This year we did not participate in the program and expended some additional dollars this month to the fire education and prevention line item.

On the Motion by Commissioner Hollis and a second by Commissioner Williams the Board approved the following expenses:

Voucher No. 19269 -19297 totaling \$45,098.09
Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$88,545.83
Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The Board reviewed the monthly budgets and financial statements.

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

NW Atlantic Salmon Fly Guild, Fly tying demonstration
October 8, 2011 (9:00 am – 4:00 pm) and November 13, 2011 (8:00 am – 5:00 pm)
Approved

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you letters for Dave Gray and Robert Angrisano's participation on the RFA Steering Committee were presented to the Board and signed.

WFCA Donation Request for Annual Raffle & Silent Auction; Benefitting the Harborview Burn Center. Commissioner Hollis inquired to the types of donations that could be given. He and Commissioner Williams stated that they may have some items they could donate.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Alarms

In September, the District responded to 37 BLS Aid calls, 4 ALS Aid calls, 15 Fire calls and 8 Service calls for a total of 64. The fiscal year to date total at the end of the year was 650 alarms, compared to 747 in the 2010 fiscal year. The calendar year to date total at the end of the month was 497 alarms compared to 544 in 2010. The District requested mutual aid on 10 alarms of which we cancelled 4 times. The District provided mutual aid on 26 alarms of which we were cancelled 12 times.

The 01:30 turnout time standard was achieved on 45 of 55 calls which is 81.8%. The 90% turnout time was 01:47. Alarm Charts for the month were provided for review.

Volunteer Recruit Training

Chief Connor reported that three recruits were attending EMT class.

Volunteer Firefighters / E Shift Program

Chief Connor reported that three of the recruits from 2010 that had completed the EMT class earlier this year had received their certification from the State.

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NORCOM

Chief Connor reported that a Governing Board meeting was scheduled for this Friday morning. Executive Director Chris Fischer had submitted her resignation on September 26, 2011. A Strategic Planning Committee had already been formed a few months back and has been directed to meet and propose some options and recommendations to the Governing Board at the meeting this Friday. Hiring an interim Director and retaining Chris Fischer part time through the transitional phase has been considered.

The Go Live for New World Systems CAD.Net, Fire Records Management and ESO Solutions did occur on September 26, 2011. A number of issues and problems have been occurring since GO-LIVE. Although many issues have been resolved some instability and malfunction issues in the past couple of days led to a decision today to return to dispatching Fire/EMS calls using the old Tri Tech system effective at 11:00. It is expected that they will resolve the issues over the next two to three months and bring the New World System on line again. Some refresher training will most likely need to occur as well.

Alphanumeric Paging

Chief Connor reported that the District has been having issues with alphanumeric paging for some time. One issue may be related to poor reception particularly inside the fire station. Another issue has surfaced related to pagers intermittently not receiving pages. A pair of demo pagers has been obtained to determine if they are more reliable and less sensitive to errors due to poor reception.

Narrowband Radio

Chief Connor reported that last month the District purchased two VHF mobile, one VHF base radio and five VHF portable radios which are capable of narrowband operation. The radios have all been installed and are now operational in first due apparatus in wideband mode. Next year the District will purchase additional mobile and portable radios for reserve apparatus and all VHF radios will be programmed to utilize narrowband mode.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Regional Fire Authority

At the last meeting on September 14, 2011, representatives from most agencies announced their intention to withdraw from the RFA, however a quorum was not present to make this official. An RFA Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at EFR HQ, which most likely will be cancelled upon the agencies providing written notice of their intent to withdraw. Resolution 2011-1 addressing the District's intent of withdrawal was prepared and presented to the Board for consideration.

On the Motion of Commissioner Hollis and a second by Chairman Meredith, the Board unanimously approved and signed Resolution 2011-1, for King County Fire Protection District No. 27 to Withdraw from the Regional Fire Authority Planning Committee.

Motion Carried.

2012 Preliminary Budget

An updated preliminary tax levy worksheet was received from the Assessor's Office and presented to the Board. The worksheet showed that the District's overall assessed value dropped slightly; resulting in a decrease of \$2,950 to the tax levy. An updated budget would be presented for review at the next meeting.

The Board scheduled a special meeting for the public hearing on the 2012 budget and revenue sources for Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Hollis would also like to dedicate some time at the special meeting to discuss some long term strategies for the District.

NEW BUSINESS:

OTHER:

Adjournment:

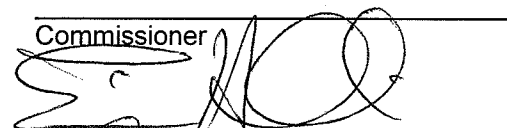
With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Hollis at 7:53 p.m.

Attest:

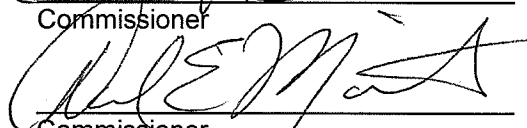
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District Secretary

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Commissioner



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