

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 April 9, 2013 at Station No. 271 located at 4301 334th PL SE in Fall City, Washington.

Chairman Hollis called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Hollis
Commissioner Meredith via phone
Commissioner Hansen via phone
Chief Connor
Secretary Evans

In Attendance:

Captain Larson
FF Noble
Nancy Moore
Del Moore

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Public Comment:

Nancy Moore proposed writing an article about Commissioner Hansen for the Neighbors Newsletter. Commissioner Hansen offered to contact her.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the Motion made by Commissioner Meredith and a second provided by Chairman Hollis, the Board approved the minutes of the March 12, 2013 Regular meeting and March 25, 2013 Special meeting. Motion Carried.

WARRANTS:

The Board reviewed the various vouchers drawn on the expense fund.

On the Motion made by Chairman Hollis and a second provided by Commissioner Meredith, the Board approved the following expenses:

Voucher No. 19898-19936 totaling \$44,316.83
Payroll and EFT transactions totaling \$90,513.88
Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The Board reviewed the monthly budgets and financial statements.

STATION USER AGREEMENTS:

NW Atlantic Salmon Fly Tying Guild, Fly Tying Class, May 18 & May 19, 2013, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Snoq. Valley Youth Soccer Assoc., Coaching Clinic, April 19, 2013, 5:30 - 9:30 pm
Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence from Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety, Fire Chief Brad Doerflinger, and King County Park's Director Kevin Brown, regarding the proposed KC Parks Levy; which had been e-mailed to the Commissioners. Discussed in new business.

Public Disclosure Commission - F1 Statement, Due 4/15/13.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Alarms

In March, the District responded to 36 BLS Aid calls, 8 ALS Aid calls, 11 Fire calls and 5 Service calls for a total of 60. The fiscal year to date total at the end of the month was 342 alarms, compared to 355 in the 2012 fiscal year. The calendar year to date total at the end of the month was 167 alarms compared to 196 in 2012. The District requested mutual aid on 5 alarms of which we cancelled 2 times. The District provided mutual aid on 20 alarms of which we were cancelled 12 times.

The 01:30 turnout time standard was achieved on 47 of 56 calls which is 83.9%. The 90% turnout time was 01:37. Alarm Charts for the month were provided for review.

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Turnout Time

Chief Connor reported that beginning April 1, 2013 the District shifted to using the CAD Assigned Time timestamp to begin the turnout time interval. Prior to April 1, 2013 we had been using the Zetron alert time timestamp. Chief Connor reviewed a Turnout Time Analysis worksheet with the Board. Chief Connor suggested re-evaluation of the objective, as recommended last month by Commissioner Meredith, after we have collected the new data for a few months.

Volunteer Firefighters / E Shift Program

Chief Connor had nothing new to report

NORCOM

Chief Connor reported that the annual Principal's Assembly and the regular monthly Governing Board meeting is scheduled for Friday morning April 12, 2013 at 09:00. Commissioner Hollis is planning to attend. Chief Connor will also be attending a Governing Board retreat at Evergreen Hospital that afternoon. The issue with New World Systems (NWS) CAD hanging up has not occurred since antivirus software was removed from the server at the suggestion of Microsoft. Recently a serious flaw was discovered in the CAD software that affects fire routing. This latest defect will probably result in a delay of a Fire GO-Live as planned in June. Eastside Fire & Rescue, Duvall and Snoqualmie Pass FD have indicated that they will be withdrawing from NORCOM because of the delays and defects related to NWS software. Redmond, who is a Subscriber, has also discussed leaving NORCOM. Discussion ensued on the future challenges of NORCOM and how the District will be affected.

Data Conversion Project

Chief Connor reported that the data conversion project is moving slowly. The goal is to convert files from Microsoft Works format to Microsoft Office format. The database files will be much more difficult and a decision has not been made about what format to use.

Sign Lighting

Chief Connor reported that the sign at the NE corner of the property is now illuminated at night.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Interlocal Agreement

Chief Connor provided a brief overview of the ILA with Snoqualmie, Fire District 45 and Fire District 27 for Commissioner Hansen.

Local 2878 Letter of Agreement

Chief Connor stated the Letter of Agreement for Shared Staffing had been sent to the Board for review via e-mail. The version that was sent included nearly all of the revisions suggested by Attorney Brian Snure. Chief Connor recommended Board approval.

On the Motion made by Commissioner Meredith and a second provided by Chairman Hollis, the Board approved the Letter of Agreement for Shared Staffing and authorized Chairman Hollis and Chief Connor to sign.

Motion Carried

Future Options – Revenue and Expenses

Chief Connor reported that the Fire Chief from Duvall Fire District 45 is available to meet and discuss the maintenance and operations excess levy they were successful passing last year. Chief Connor suggested that we propose some dates and he will attempt to confirm a meeting. A Commissioner from Duvall may also attend, subject to availability.

Chief Connor suggested that a special meeting would be helpful to discuss the prorationing of the District's levy rate and to focus on executing a plan for a potential ballot measure. The Board discussed some potential meeting dates.

King County EMS Levy (Medic One)

Chief Connor reported that there is a meeting of the King County Regional Policy Committee (RPC) on Wednesday April 10 at 3:00 p.m. The RPC agenda includes the Medic One Levy. The RPC may also consider an amendment that would allow Kirkland a path to become an ALS provider in the future subject to an independent study of the number of ALS providers along with a few other amendments. A staff report that includes the proposed amendment was provided for review. The Zone 1 Chiefs have provided their support of the amendments.

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NEW BUSINESS:

King County Parks Levy

Chief Connor reported that he had forwarded to the Board via e-mail, a letter written by Chief Brad Doerflinger of Maple Valley Fire to the King County Council. The letter expresses concern that a parks levy being proposed by the County will impact a number of fire agencies because of levy prorationing.

Chief Connor reported that he had also forwarded to the Board via e-mail, a response letter from the King County Parks Director regarding the same. Chief Connor conveyed his concerns that the proposed park's levy would encroach into the District's protected .25 cents. He asked if the Board would like him to draft a letter to the County Council.

At 8:02 p.m. a technical issue with the phone system occurred. At 8:05 p.m. the regular meeting resumed.

The Board continued the discussion on sending a letter to the County Council.

On the Motion of Chairman Hollis and a second provided by Commissioner Meredith, the Board authorized Chief Connor and Chairman Hollis to draft and send a letter on behalf of the Board of Commissioners to the King County Council, opposing the current park's levy proposal.

Motion Carried.

DNR (Department of Natural Resources) Forest Land Response Agreement

Chief Connor reported that while applying for the 50% matching DNR grant for Wildland FF equipment, the District learned that DNR is now requiring a different form of agreement for grant eligibility. The grant period ends on April 15th. Chief Connor stated that he had forwarded to the Board via e-mail the proposed Forest Land Response Agreement. Further discussion by the Board ensued.

On the Motion of Commissioner Meredith and a second provided by Commissioner Hansen, the Board approved the DNR Forest Land Response Agreement No. 13-333 and authorized Chairman Hollis and Chief Connor to sign the agreement.

Motion Carried.

OTHER:

King County Community Service Area (CSA) Meeting

Chief Connor reported that King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert and Deputy County Executive Fred Jarrett will be hosting a meeting on Thursday April 11, 2013 from 7-9 p.m. at the Fall City Library. Chief Connor and Commissioner Hollis stated that they would be attending the CSA meeting.

Del Moore proposed writing an article in the Neighbors Newsletter pertaining to NORCOM and would like to get together with Chief Connor to discuss further.

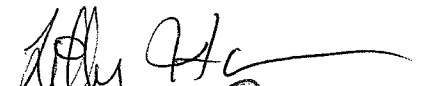
Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Hollis at 8:32 p.m.

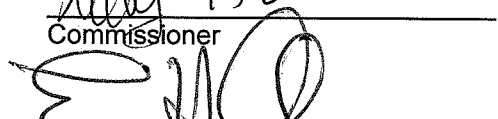
Attest:

Melinda Evans
Board Secretary

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Commissioner



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