

# 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 November 25, 2014 at Station No. 271 located at 4301 334th PL SE in Fall City, Washington.

Chairman Hollis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### Present:

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

### In Attendance:

Lt. LeDoux	FF Baker
Lt. Koehnen	FF Botten
FF Bandy	FF Griffin
FF Jessen	FF Martindale
FF Krache	

### BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

#### **PUBLIC HEARING - 2015 Budget**

Chairman Hollis opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 p.m. to receive public comments on the District's 2015 revenue sources and expense budget.

Lt. LeDoux addressed the Board of Commissioners. He stated that a letter from the Local had been sent to each of the Commissioners asking if they would reconsider their position and request the full amount of the M&O levy. Lt. LeDoux conveyed that the Local is concerned that the District is giving money back when there are minimum staffing issues and equipment needs to address. With having one career member on duty related leave the District's three man coverage drops to 49% for next year, this leaves two man staffing at 51%. We have calculated the cost to fill the shifts at around \$80,000 at 2015 labor rates. He also stated that the Local has made many concessions when there wasn't any money, and now it appears that the Board is sending a message that they don't care.

Commissioner Hansen asked if the Local proposed using career staffing to fill all of the shifts. Lt. LeDoux replied that there would be some shifts filled with Volunteers. The Board discussed the additional \$55,000 that has been added and allocated to the salaries and benefit line item. Chief Connor suggested that the funds could be used for a temporary employee to help fill many of the shifts. The discussion shifted to the surplus of \$125,000 that was shown on the budget. Chairman Hollis stated that the Board's intention was to allocate \$70,000 of it to the operational reserve account and another \$30,000 to the apparatus reserve account, this would leave \$25,000. Discussion ensued on utilizing the \$25,000 for overtime. Chairman Hollis also conveyed that we need to be mindful of the increase in our citizens' taxes as well.

Commissioner Hansen asked about the extrication tool and other equipment that may need to be purchased. Chief Connor briefly discussed the District's equipment needs and conveyed that there is some money already earmarked in the budget. Further discussion ensued.

Lt. LeDoux thanked the Board for taking his comments.

Commissioner Meredith stated that because our regular levy came in over our projections, it is a good trade off to split the difference and reduce the excess levy. If we need to go back out for another ballot measure we need to show the citizens that we're not trying to spend it all.

FF Krache commented that we need to let the community know that we're not collecting all that we can.

After receiving no other comments Chairman Hollis closed the Public Hearing at 7:42 p.m.

### NEW BUSINESS:

**Resolution 2014-1 - Property Tax Increase Resolution**

**Resolution 2014-2 - Request for 2015 Tax Levy Collection**

**Resolution 2014-3 - Approving Allocation of Funds for NORCOM**

Chairman Hollis moved to adopt Resolution 2014-1, Property Tax Increase Resolution as presented, the Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hansen. The Board voted and unanimously approved.  
Motion Carried.

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Chairman Hollis moved to adopt Resolution 2014-2, Request for 2015 Tax Levy Collection Resolution as presented, the Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hansen. The Board voted and unanimously approved. Motion Carried

Chairman Hollis moved to adopt Resolution 2014-3, Approving Allocation of Funds for NORCOM Resolution as presented, the Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hansen. The Board voted and unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Petition to Annex into the District**

Chief Connor stated that once we receive the petition to annex into the District, the Board will need to approve the petition with a resolution. The District must designate itself as the Lead Agency, prepare an Environmental Checklist and issue a Determination of Non-Significance to be compliant with the State Environmental Policy Act. A notice of intent will also need to be filed with the Boundary Review Board of King County and a Public Hearing will need to be scheduled. Chief Connor stated that the District will have some cost for Attorney Snure and the publication of the legal notice for the public hearing.

Commissioner Hansen asked if the other property owner had any interest in annexing into the District. Chief Connor replied that he spoke with the other property owner and he was still not interested. Chief Connor stated that a letter had been sent in 2009 addressing the issue and he asked the Board if they would like him to send another letter. The Board concurred.

**Engine Procurement**

Chief Connor reported that he has not received any change order documents from Spartan.

The Notice of Intent document for the LOCAL financing was presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Meredith moved to approve the Notice of Intent and authorized Chairman Hollis to sign. The Motion was seconded by Chairman Hollis and unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

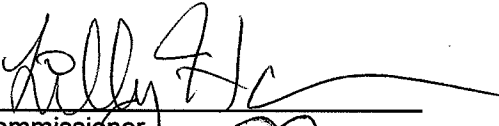
**OTHER:**


**Adjournment:**

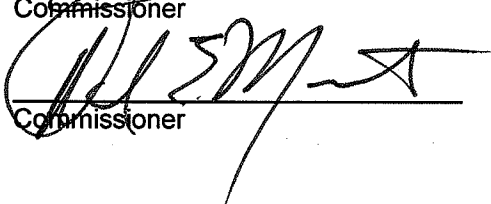
With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Hollis at 8:15 p.m.

Attest:  
Melinda Evans  
District Secretary

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