

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 April 25, 2016 at Station No. 271 located at 4301 334th PL SE in Fall City, Washington.

Chairperson Hansen called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Present:

Chairperson Hansen
Commissioner Hollis
Commissioner Meredith

Chief Connor
Secretary Evans

FF Fleming
FF Noble

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Surplus 1988 Pierce Engine

Chief Connor reported that Stevens County Fire District 12 has made an offer of \$8,500 for the engine. After Board discussion, Commissioner Meredith made a motion to approve the sale of the 1988 Pierce Engine to Stevens County Fire District 12 for \$8,500. Commissioner Hollis provided a second. Motion Carried.

Ballot Measure M&O Levy

Chief Connor reviewed the key points in the ballot measure timeline for the November general election. He stated that the pro/con committees were not required but the District had advertised in the past for them. The Board agreed that they would like to submit a media request for the pro/con committees. The Board also discussed having a committee for the ballot measure to work on the informational flyer and strategize planning of community outreach. The Board agreed that the committee would consist of the Chief, Secretary, one Commissioner, one Labor Representative, and one Volunteer. Chairperson Hansen stated that she could participate. Chief Connor will check with the Volunteers for any interest and FF Fleming will check with the Labor group as well.

Chief Connor reviewed the draft financial projections with the Board highlighting the salaries, capital equipment, and apparatus reserve line items. The draft illustrated conservative growth in the District's assessed values and new construction amounts. Moderate increases to the overall operating costs averaging 2.7% per year, over the four year period were shown. The regular levy rate was shown to decrease as AV increases and the M&O levy rate was shown to be between .36¢ -.40¢.

The Board discussed their desire to earmark funds to the apparatus reserve. Commissioner Meredith stated that he would like to see the District develop an apparatus replacement program that is funded annually. Commissioner Hollis asked if it was necessary to replace the vehicles such as the tender due to its age. Further discussions on apparatus replacement ensued. Chairperson Hansen discussed the amount of time that it takes to build an aid car or engine and how that would affect our replacement schedule. She also asked if the District should look at vehicles with dual capabilities; such as a brush truck that could be used to tow the boat.

Chief Connor stated that the draft financial projections indicates that the District would need to collect at least the same amount that the current M&O levy is set at; \$425,000. Chief Connor suggested that a renewal of this amount may be easier to sell to our voters. Commissioner Meredith asked if the District could do variable amounts per year and suggested this as an option. He further stated that the amount may need to be higher if we are going to fund for our apparatus replacement. Secretary Evans stated that the financial worksheet could be updated and provided at the next meeting for further discussion.

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Hansen at 11:05 a.m.

Attest:

Melinda Evans
District Secretary

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Kelly J. Hansen
Commissioner
Commissioner
Commissioner