

Commissioners' Meeting

November 14, 2011

Chairman Sutich called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Present were: Commissioners Casebolt, Entze, Stephens and Jarmon, Chief Burgess, A/Chiefs Watson, Miller & Nixon, D/Chief Lyon, A/BC Vogel, L. Abbott, J. Brenner, P. Riley, Lt. Booth, Local 3390 Representatives, Shift Personnel, K. Kreitzer, Eric Wilson

Our flag salute was led by Bill Jarmon.

Commissioners Casebolt and Stephens moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the October 24, 2011 meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Entze and Jarmon moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 112599 - 112707 in the amount of \$438,879.52 and Payroll Vouchers 112708 - 112850 in the amount of \$1,127,752.71 for a total consideration of \$1,566,632.23. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Chief Burgess updated the Board on the following:

- Chief Burgess introduced Mr. Eric Wilson, Northwest Public Affairs, LLC. Mr. Wilson presented a PowerPoint Presentation to the Board regarding the telephone survey conducted October 17th – 23rd where members of the community were asked about their support of an EMS Levy. PCFD #5 registered voters in five areas of the district were contacted resulting in 1,178 completed interviews. He discussed in further detail each section of the presentation and the results of the survey. Commissioner Jarmon commented on the excellent job.

At this time Chairman Sutich announced a short recess. Commissioners Casebolt and Entze moved and seconded a motion to recess at 3:25 pm. With no further discussion, the motion carried. Chairman Sutich reconvened the meeting at 3:34 pm.

- Chief Burgess addressed the Board regarding assembling an ad hoc committee to further evaluate and investigate the possibility of running a EMS Levy in the spring of 2012. He further expanded on the advantage of this measure in supporting the current level of service to our citizens. Commissioners Casebolt and Sutich will be the representatives of the Board to serve on this committee. Further discussion continued on the survey results and the District's revenues.

Assistant Chief Watson updated the Board on the following:

- Provided a construction status update on the Station 53 & 57 remodels. Some areas are in the process of final inspections, everything else is going well.

Assistant Chief Nixon updated the Board on the following:

- The new Rescue Truck R58 should be in service by the end of this week.

Standing Committee Reports:

Commissioner Casebolt announced that a meeting will be held at Station 50 on Wednesday, November 16th at 3:00 pm to resume evaluation of the District's organizational structure.

Commissioner Sutich announced a possible Executive Session may be held at the regularly scheduled Board meeting on November 28th to discuss the Local 3390 contract negotiations.

Commissioner Sutich reported he had recently spoken with Sheila Hunt, District #16 Fire Commissioner regarding the possibility of a joint Board of Commissioners meeting between PCFD #16 and PCFD #5 to discuss support for the operation of the local radio station, KGHP. Open discussion continued regarding the level of meeting that should be held to discuss this matter. It was determined that a presentation from the KGHP radio station be provided to the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting on November 28, 2011.

Commissioner Sutich opened discussion regarding a topic heard at the recent Snure Seminar regarding e-mails and computers being utilized for District business and the advantage of having a web-based e-mail for the Board members. Chief Burgess stated he will have the District's IT Manager research this issue.

Old Business

L. Abbott presented the Board with the 2012 Budget update along with draft copies of the preliminary 2012 Budget documentation and the Budget Workbooks. She discussed in further detail all documents provided. The Final Budget will be presented at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on November 28, 2011 in order to meet the November 30th deadline. Karl Kreitzer noted his concern regarding the continued depletion of reserves over the next several years. The Board concurred with his concerns noting un-easy economic times. Commissioner Sutich thanked Linda Abbott for the great job she has done on the budget.

New Business

There was no New Business to introduce.

Good of the Order

Chairman Sutich announced the signing of documents.

Chief Burgess announced the recent approval of the South Sound 911 ballot measure. Open discussion continued regarding its impact to the District and other agencies.

Special Interests/Upcoming Events

PCFD #5 will be hosting the Pierce County Fire Commissioners Association meeting at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 17th at District Headquarters.

The Pierce County Fire Chiefs - Fire Commissioners 2011 Annual Awards Banquet will be held on Thursday, December 1st at the Fircrest Golf Club.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioners Casebolt and Entze moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 pm. No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held November 28, 2011 at 3:00 PM.

Attest: District Secretary

Chairman Commissioner

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