

Commissioners' Meeting

December 22, 2014

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

Present were: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson and Duncan, Chief Burgess, A/Chiefs Watson & Nixon, D/Chief Shoemaker, B/Chief Meyer, D. Weyn, A. Mattila, and K. Kreitzer.

Commissioner Stephens had an excused absence.

Our flag salute was led by Chairman Entze.

Communications:

- The District received a thank you letter from Scott Junge with PenMet Parks thanking us for our partnership.
- The District received two public records requests this week. One regarding driveway access to a local neighborhood. The other from The Tacoma News Tribune requesting the annual salary information for the District, and has done the same for the rest of Pierce County.

There were no changes to the Agenda.

Commissioners Duncan and Nelson moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the December 8, 2014 meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Duncan and Sutich moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 141969 - 142022 in the amount of \$ 80,546.35. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Chief Burgess updated the Board on the following:

- Per Commissioner Sutich's request, Division Chiefs will begin giving reports in January. Today, A/C Watson and A/C Nixon will give their reports from their specific sectors.
- D/C Shoemaker had a meeting with EF-Recovery about a bid for medical billing. He will be meeting with their I.T. department tomorrow to discuss our system and the EPCR project.

A/C Watson updated the Board on the following:

- Radios are in and have only a few minor repairs. Installs were done in our shop and that allowed us to be very hands on.

- In conjunction with West Pierce and Tacoma Fire we will be receiving grant funds allowing us to install a dispatch and alerting system that is computerized and automates calls to send out more calls at one time. It will be installed at Station 51. We will pay 10% of the cost for our District and the rest will be covered by the grant. Any remaining expense will come out of the radio installation budget.

A/C Nixon updated the Board on the following:

- Chief Nixon gave an update on SS911.
- Still operating on VHF; Pierce County Sherriff and GHPD have already switched to the 700 system. Our cut-off to switch will be in March. Training on the new system will begin after the 1st of the year.

Standing Committee Reports

There were no Standing Committee Reports.

Old Business

- Chief Burgess reported to the Board that the support staff contract extensions are complete.

New Business

There was no New Business to discuss.

Public Comment

Citizen Karl Kreitzer commented that he would like to see the department campaign for openness; there is more of a demand for transparency.

Good of the Order

Chairman Entze announced the signing of documents.

Special Interests/Upcoming Events

Joe Quinn will be hosting a round table for fire executives and commissioners at West Pierce Station 21 from 9:00-11:00 AM on Friday, January 23. The discussion will be on Light Duty.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Entze moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:33 p.m. No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 12, 2014 at 3:00 PM.

Attest: District Secretary

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