



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

Commissioners' Meeting

September 12, 2017

Vice Chairman Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present were: Commissioners Nelson, Entze, Sutich and Smith, Chief Burgess, A/Chiefs Bjurstrom and Watson, D. Weyn, D/Chief Waters, B/Chief Kauppila, T. VanderVaate and 3 citizens, 2 of which were Boy Scouts.

Commissioner Duncan and A/Chief Nixon were absent.

Our flag salute was led by Vice Chairman Nelson.

Communications

Chief Burgess shared upcoming SNURE conference information with the Board, should any of them be interested in attending. He also read correspondence from Keith Taylor regarding Crunch Time 2017 and from Randle Fire and EMS expressing appreciation for receiving a Lifepak 12 unit.

D. Weyn announced one change to the agenda, in that there would be no refreshments following the meeting.

Commissioners Sutich and Entze moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the August 22, 2017 Commissioner Meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Smith and Sutich moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 171223 and 171247-171329 in the amount of \$152,028.76 and Payroll Vouchers 171224-171246 in the amount of \$1,385,814.05. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Chief's Report

D. Weyn updated the Board on the following:

- The two new support staff members have started with the District this month. The new Executive Administrative Assistant Taunja VanderVaate was introduced to the Board.

A/Chief Bjurstrom advised the Board on the following:

- The District is considering scaling back participation in the annual Health & Safety Expo, to focus resources toward enhancing our injury and fire prevention, fire and trauma survival outreach at existing community events. Vision is to step out of the role as

to see if either of them are willing to take ownership of organizing the expo. Discussion ensued. There will be an update at the next meeting.

A/Chief Watson updated the Board on the following:

- New Medic Unit is 2-2.5 weeks away from delivery.
- Wildland update: Brush Truck and Tender are back from Jolly Mountain. A/Chief Nixon is on his way back from Jolly Mountain. Battalion Chief Todd Meyer is still at Uno Peak. Lt. John Johnson was activated for Pierce County Emergency Management team headed to Florida for hurricane relief; call was cancelled, they are on their way back. Norse Peak fire has moved into Pierce County, now outside of Crystal Mountain area, with a second fire in Greenwater.
 - Chief Burgess interjected that District is being mindful of following Board recommendation regarding deployments. We are on track to be on budget. Will hold back deploying additional resources in the coming weeks so we don't go over budget. Fortunately end of fire season is near.

Chief Burgess updated the Board on the following:

- Combined Communications Network (CCN) has agreed to a one year agreement; we are waiting to receive a countersigned, fully executed, copy of the agreement for our file. After limited discussion, Chief Burgess indicated moving forward we will revisit issue in 2018, switching to the 800 system is a possible alternative. There was no further discussion.
- Contract negotiations – the Admin Team and the Chairman of the Board have discussed the possibility of a one-year extension to Local #3390 for contract negotiations in an effort to focus resources on lid lift and budget planning. We are meeting to have a strategy session in preparation of negotiations. It will also be discussed if a proposal for a one year extension to the Local will be offered.

Standing Committee Reports

There were no Standing Committee Reports.

Old Business

There was no Old Business.

New Business

Commissioners Sutich and Nelson moved and seconded a motion to excuse Chairman Smith's absence at the August 21, 2017 meeting. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Sutich and Smith moved and seconded a motion to excuse Chairman Sutich from attendance at the October 10, 2017 meeting. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that giving notice of absence would be sufficient for future meetings. The motion carried.

Commissioners Nelson and Sutich moved and seconded a motion a motion to excuse Chairman Duncan at the September 12, 2017 meeting. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Public Comment

Two Boy Scouts were in attendance to obtain service badges. They introduced themselves. Chief Burgess welcomed them to the room and thanked them for attending the meeting.

District #5 Member Comment

There was no District #5 Member Comment.

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Vice Chairman Nelson announced the signing of documents.

Commissioner Entze announced that he visited Crunch Time 2017 and that it is an excellent program.

A/Chief Waters announced Peninsula School District students enrolled in their Biomedical Innovation and Health Careers program will be visiting Station 50 during the week of September 18 as part of a career readiness outreach.

Commissioner Sutich thanked Chief Burgess for the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony stating it was an excellent and successful ceremony.

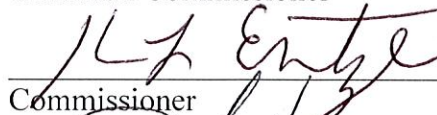
There being no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Nelson adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m. No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday September 26, at 5:00 p.m.



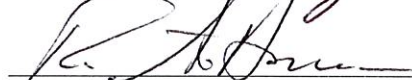
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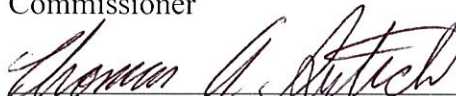
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