

Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

Commissioners' Meeting February 13, 2018

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

Present were: Commissioners Sutich, Duncan, Smith and Entze, Chief Burgess, A/Chief Watson, A/Chief Nixon, A/Chief Bjurstrom, D/C Waters, Vol. D/C Petersen, EA T. VanderVaate and citizen K. Kreitzer.

Flag Salute was led by Vice Chairman Sutich.

Approval of the Agenda. Commissioner Sutich advised there were two changes to the agenda. Commissioners Entze and Duncan moved and seconded approval of the agenda. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Peninsula School District Superintendent Manahan. Superintendent Manahan did not attend.

Commissioner Absence. Commissioner Nelson was absent – previously approved at the January 9, 2018 meeting.

Communications.

EA T. VanderVaate advised the Commissioners the District received one thank you letter from a Sonoma resident, a copy of the letter is included in the Board packets.

Minutes and Blanket Vouchers

Commissioners Entze and Duncan moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the January 23, 2018 Commissioner Meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Smith and Duncan moved and seconded a motion to retroactively approve Blanket Vouchers 180114-180138 in the amount of \$156,470.17. The vouchers were previously approved by Chief Burgess and transmitted to the County on January 30, 2018. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Smith and Entze moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 180162-180250 in the amount of \$139,568.81 and Payroll Vouchers 180139-180161 in the amount of \$1,238,000.53 for a total consideration of \$1,377,569.34. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Chief's Report

- A/Chief Bjurstrom advised the Board regarding a new Fall Prevention program being run by our prevention division, noting that risk reduction is a primary focus and that 10% of our calls are related to falls.
- A/Chief Bjurstrom presented the Board with a packet of documents the District will be sending to the owners of property with private bridges/roadways, indicating packets will be mailed in the coming days.
- A/C Watson reported that a WSRB representative will attend our April 10 meeting.
- A/C Watson gave an update on the status of applying for funds under an AFG Grant and reported that tool proposals are in and under review by legal counsel.
- A/C Watson reported the district is also working with Tacoma Fire to apply for grant funds that, if awarded, will provide funding for new alerting equipment in four stations.
- A/C Watson also reported regarding the passing of retired volunteer firefighter Milt Roby on February 13, 2018. The District is working with the family and will provide an update regarding memorial services when information is available.
- Chief Burgess reported regarding the Opioid Summit he attended in Tacoma indicating officials at State and County levels are trying to come up with a coordinated response. He anticipates involvement in future meetings.
- Chief Burgess reported to the Board he expects a financial update at the next board meeting as well as an executive session to discuss the tentatively agreed contract the District has reached with Local 3390.

Standing Committee Reports

Commissioner Sutich gave a brief update regarding Legislative Day in Olympia indicating the North Bend training tower is already completely booked for 2018 and reiterating his desire to move forward with finding our own training tower solution.

Chief Burgess reported that he has requested A/Chiefs Watson and Bjurstrom to schedule a meeting with the Insurance Committee in March.

Old Business

• A/Chief Watson shared with the Board the District has received an offer from Grays Harbor District #7 to purchase our surplus medic unit for \$5,000. After a brief discussion, the Board recommended accepting the offer.

Commissioner Sutich requested a brief recess at 5:26 p.m. Return to session at 5:27 p.m.

• Chief Burgess presented a 2017-2021 Strategic Plan update, noting he was encouraged by the amount of work that has been accomplished. Commissioner Sutich complimented Chief Burgess on a good report.

New Business

Public Comment

C. Kreitzer commented he had been asked by one resident the status of the health and safety expo. Chief Bjurstrom reported that Herons Key did expressed interest, but decided 2018 was too soon to put the whole thing together.

Good of the Order

There was a general discussion regarding the Gig Harbor City Council's decision to enact a temporary building moratorium.

A/Chief Nixon advised he attended a document signing between Pierce County and the State allowing Washington Task Force 1, a FEMA resource, to be used as a State resource. It was signed by Pierce County and the Washington State Emergency Management Division.

Special Interests/Upcoming Events

There being no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Sutich adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday February 27, at 5:00 p.m.

Attest: District Secretary	Chairman Commissioner
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