



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2018

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

Present were: Commissioners Nelson, Sutich, Duncan, Smith and Entze, Chief Burgess, A/Chief Watson, A/Chief Bjurstrom and T. VanderVaate.

FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Nelson led the flag salute.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioners Sutich and Duncan moved and seconded a motion to move Probation Completion Awards up on the agenda, and to then approve the agenda. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

PROBATIONARY COMPLETION RECOGNITION

Probation Completion certificates were presented to Ryan Gilletti, Max Haas, Jacob Flick and Theodore Freeby for successfully completing one year of probation.

COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications.

MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioners Duncan and Sutich moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the March 13, 2018 Commissioner Meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

Commissioners Smith and Duncan moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 180432-180458 in the amount of \$53,415.40. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

CHIEFS REPORTS

Assistant Chief Watson:

- Gave a brief review of the March 2018 logistics update provided in the agenda packets;

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- Reported he is working to meet State auditor guidelines for purchasing regarding extrication tools;
- Air 56 is still in progress. The Commissioners on the Fleet and Facilities Committee will be invited to an upcoming meeting.
- Reported that all reimbursements have been received for 2017 deployments, totaling \$509,826.56. Chief Burgess noted most reimbursements were received in the same calendar year, except for the Santa Rosa reimbursement. Commissioner Smith inquired if the District uses reserves to cover deployment costs. Chief Burgess reported it was close in 2017, but by holding off on purchasing and further deployments the District did not have to borrow from reserves.

B/C Meyer gave an update on house fire on Kopachuck. Originally reported as smoke in residence, the house had an alarm, smoke detectors and was sprinkled. The smoke detectors woke the resident. Fire was in chimney/void where sprinklers don't cover. The nearest hydrant was at Voyager. Crews had to tender shuttle and a second alarm was due to the shuttle. Tacoma Fire, West Pierce and South Kitsap assisted with the response. The homeowner phoned on March 27 and was happy with our work. Chief Burgess noted the homeowner did everything right with having the alarm system, smoke detectors and sprinkler system.

Chief Burgess reported regarding a child drowning on March 17 at the YMCA. Crews transported the patient to Mary Bridge, several days later the patient was taken off life support. This type of call is particularly difficult on our younger crew members who have small children themselves and reinforces the need to watch our responders and get our Peer Support Program running.

B/C Meyer reported regarding a code save at the YMCA and Chief Burgess and Commissioner Duncan both reported the family of the 15 year old let them know she is recovering and doing well.

B/C Kauppila reported the District responded to 7-8 codes in March, two on one day, and several were saves.

Chief Burgess reported he will be meeting with the crews in April to review the Strategic Plan update that was presented to the Board on February 13, 2017.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Sutich gave a report regarding the March 22 Pierce County Fire Commissioners Meeting at East Pierce Fire & Rescue noting that Kyle Davidson from Pierce County Accountable Community Health was a fascinating speaker.

Commissioner Smith reported that the Insurance Committee held a meeting and came up with a strategy for the coming year.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Training Tower. Commissioner Sutich reported regarding meeting with legal counsel on March 5 to discuss training tower construction issues. After various discussion, it was agreed

that Chief Watson would put together a short refresher presentation of historical background information for the Commissioners. Commissioners Sutich and Smith moved and seconded a motion to form an ad hoc committee to determine direction of moving forward (or not) regarding building a training tower. Upon a unanimous roll call vote, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

NEW BUSINESS

A. City of Gig Harbor (Residential Sprinklers/SEPA Mitigation/Impact Fees). Chief Burgess reported to the Board that he and Chief Bjurstrom are scheduled to meet with the Mayor of Gig Harbor on March 29, 2018 to discuss three topics: 1) fire inspection program; 2) impact fees and 3) mitigation fees.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizen Carl Kreitzer had questions regarding the WSIB presentation coming up on April 10. There was general discussion regarding protocol for allowing audience members to ask questions of a visiting presenter, outside of Public Comment as well as how the District might obtain a list of what carriers subscribe to WSIB. Commissioner Duncan questioned if any resources are available through the State Fire Chiefs or State Fire Commissioners. Mr. Kreitzer indicated he would likely contact WSIB directly with his questions.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Sutich reminded the group of the upcoming April 26 Fire Commissioners Meeting noting that Lt. Cropp and Pierce County Prosecutor Mark Lindquist are scheduled to speak regarding the opioid crisis.

SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Bryce Nelson announced the Board would be adjourning for a short break at 6:05 p.m. and pursuant to RCW 42.30.140 at 6:10 p.m. enter Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining and professional negotiations for 20 minutes, no vote was taken. Commissioner Nelson called the meeting back into regular session at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Nelson adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

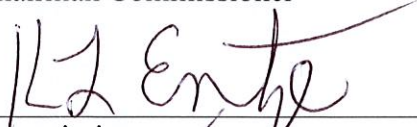
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday March 27, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.



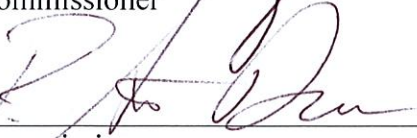
Attest: District Secretary



Chairman Commissioner




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