



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2018

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

Present: Commissioners Nelson, Sutich, Duncan and Entze, Chief Burgess, A/Chief Bjurstrom, D. Weyn and T. VanderVaate.

FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Nelson led the flag salute.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioners Sutich and Entze moved and seconded a motion to approve the agenda as revised. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

COMMUNICATIONS

T. VanderVaate reported we received two thank you letters that are included in the board packets as well as let the Board know we received an email from one of the fire commissioner applicants indicating he is out of the country and unable to attend tonight's meeting and participate in interviews – he extends his appreciation for including him in the selection process.

MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioners Entze and Sutich moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the July 24, 2018 Commissioner Meeting. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

Commissioners Entze and Sutich moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 181137-181223 in the amount of \$172,232.89 and Payroll Vouchers 181114-181136 in the amount of \$1,579,337.06 for a total consideration of \$1,751,569.95. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

CHIEFS REPORTS

A/Chief Bjurstrom gave a brief report regarding wildland deployments.

A/Chief Bjurstrom advised the board that Fornier has requested a meeting sometime the 2nd or 3rd week of September.

Chief Burgess advised the board that all nine of the new hire final offers have been accepted. Five entry-level FF/EMT new hires will start with the District on August 24 and 4 lateral FF/EMT new hires will start on October 1.

Board of Commissioners

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Entze reported that labor negotiations are ongoing.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Board of Fire Commissioners Vacancy. Names were drawn from a hat to determine the interview order. The order was as follows:

1. Chelsea Smith
2. Meredith Hatch
3. Joe Urvina
4. Deanna Keller
5. Alex Wilsie

The five (5) candidates were asked a series of nine (9) questions in rotation by the Board members. Questions were asked to specifically determine suitability for placement on the Board. All candidates were asked the same nine (9) questions. At the end of the interview candidates were given an opportunity to give a statement.

Following the interviews, Commissioner Nelson opened the floor to public comment should anyone want to make comments specific to the candidates for fire commissioner.

Derek Young of the Pierce County Council spoke in support of Alex Wilsie. Citizen Karl Kreitzer indicated he thought it was a positive group and he associated one word for each candidate in their speaking order (because he didn't get all of their names): 1) enthusiasm; 2) credentials; 3) finance; 4) confidence; 5) politics.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:36 p.m. Commissioner Nelson announced adjournment to Executive Session for 30 minutes. The Executive Session was called in compliance with RCW 42.30.110(h) to consider qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office. Chairman Nelson announced we would reconvene at 6:36 p.m. and a vote may be taken after the executive session. At 6:37 p.m. Chairman Nelson called the meeting back into regular session.

Commissioners Nelson and Entze moved to appoint candidate David Alex Wilsie to fill open position number two. Discussion followed. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

GOOD OF THE ORDER

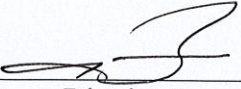
SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

August 23, 2018 PC Fire Commissioners meeting at Browns/Dash Point Fire Station.
October 24, 2018 – Snure Pre-Conference Laws Update at Yakima Convention Center.
October 25-27, 2018 – WFCA Annual Conference at Yakima Convention Center

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

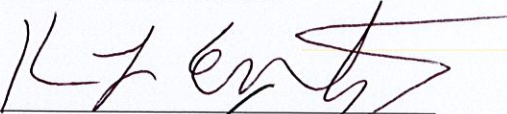
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday August 28, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.



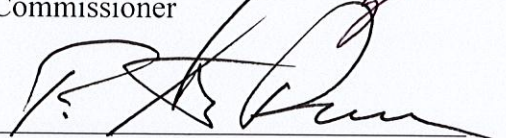
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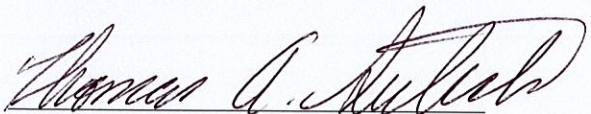
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