

# Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

#### SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2019

Chairman Sutich called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson and Duncan, Chief Burgess, A/Chiefs E. Watson, S. Nixon, T. Meyer, D. Bjurstrom, Local 3390 President Ron Wasmund, Lt. S. Corrigan, Lt. N. Langlow, Dr. Keith Gates, and numerous District members and members of the community.

### FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Sutich led the flag salute.

#### **OPENING REMARKS**

Commissioner Sutich shared the agenda for the evening and stated the order of presentations would be: A/C S. Nixon, Dr. Gates, then Local 3390. No questions or comments would be allowed from the audience. Commissioner questions would be answered at the end of all presentations. No decisions or votes would be taken during the meeting.

Chief Burgess: Welcomed attendees.

### STANDARDS OF COVER/DEPLOYMENT PRESENTATIONS

- **Assistant Chief Nixon.** Spoke on development of District's Standard of Cover. Reviewed applicable laws and consensus standards. Reviewed compliance with District's response time objectives. Shared need for Board input on which improvements should occur first.
- 2. **District Medical Director Dr. Gates.** Dr. Gates shared his personal background, training, and District/personal need to serve people (community, employees, and District leadership). Reviewed time sensitivity of Fire, STEMI, Trauma, Stroke, and cardiac arrest responses and importance of arrival within 8 minutes. Shared ideas and perspectives on how to improve patient survivability.

Commissioner Sutich announced a short recess at 6:30 p.m.; the meeting was called back to order at 6:37 p.m.

Dr. Gates provided closing remarks and stated that the focus of his presentation was quality assurance and improvement.

**Local 3390.** Local President Ron Wasmund introduced the individuals presenting on behalf of Local 3390, Lt. Scott Corrigan and Lt. Nick Langlow. The Local's presentation included information based on NFPA 1710, WAC 296.305, NIST Study, and UL FSRI in

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support of a desire to staff engine companies with a minimum of 3. Shared information on the use of increased staffing to reduce scene times and improve firefighter safety. Shared a desire to increase the ability to mentor and maintain appropriate span of control.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no questions from the Board, Chairman Sutich adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Attest: District Secretary

Chairman Commissioner

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