

# Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

#### **COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES**

February 25, 2020

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

Present: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson, Entze, Wilsie (arrived a few minutes late) and Urvina, A/Chiefs E. Watson, S. Nixon, D. Bjurstrom, BC Kauppila and EA T. VanderVaate.

#### FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Urvina led the flag salute.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the agenda as presented. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED.

## COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

**COMMUNICATIONS** - Thank you letter from FISH, copies in packet.

## MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioner Entze moved to approve Minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the vouchers as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$131,562.44. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED.

#### **LOCAL 3390 REPORTS**

#### VOLUNTEER REPORTS

## **CHIEFS REPORTS**

AC Bjurstrom reported to the Board regarding a delay of the 2019 end of year financial report. The reason for delay is due to an error at the County level. By second meeting in March we will give a report without final numbers from the County if still not finalized.

AC Bjurstrom reported regarding hiring, we are on target to bring 13 firefighters on April 1. Lateral Paramedic panel interviews have been conducted, Chiefs Interviews will be scheduled soon and an anticipated start date is June 1. Our HR candidate is pending psychological evaluation and drug screening, we anticipate her starting employment soon and introducing her at the first meeting in March.

AC Bjurstrom reported a cyber-insurance binder has been added to the District's insurance

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policy. It will be up for renewal in October and the Board should anticipate further discussion regarding policy limits.

AC Nixon reported regarding the District's Transitional Paramedic Program indicating it is an opportunity for current firefighter/EMTs with current paramedic certificates to transition to firefighter/paramedic duties. With a number of retirements quickly approaching and current injuries Chief Meyer is excited to get more paramedics available for duty.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Request for Qualifications – Architectural Services. AC Watson reported that the Request for Qualifications – Architectural Services has been reviewed by legal counsel and will be published as soon as possible so we can begin the process of interviewing architects. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Entze moved to accept the District's plan for publishing the Request for Qualifications and move forward with the interview process. The **MOTION PASSSED** by unanimous roll call vote.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

## SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Sutich adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2019.

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Attest: District Secretary