



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

September 8, 2020

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

Present: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson, Entze, Wilsie (joined meeting in progress) and Urvina, F/C J. Burgess, A/Chiefs E. Watson, D. Bjurstrom and EA T. VanderVaate.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Entze moved to approve the agenda as presented. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

COMMUNICATIONS

MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Chairman Entze moved to approve Minutes of the August 25, 2020 meeting. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the vouchers and ACH transfers as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$2,196,732.15. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

VOLUNTEER REPORTS

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Burgess gave a brief COVID19 update indicating State, local cases continue to decline, and no District employees are in quarantine at this time.

Chiefs Burgess and Watson reported regarding wildland fires and current red flag conditions the District is experiencing. The District has several apparatus and employees deployed and there is now a hold on additional resources going out. The District remains fully staffed with four engines, three medic units and a brush truck. Discussion followed.

Chief Watson reported South Sound 911 would no longer subsidize radios, which will cause an increase in fees. Preliminary estimates indicate a \$55,000 increase, however numbers have not

been finalized. Discussion followed.

Chief Watson reported a paving project is out for bid and closes on September 14th. He hopes to meet with the Fleet and Facilities Committee to review the bids and have a recommendation for the full Board to act on at the next meeting.

Chief Bjurstrom reported that 2020 budget planning is under way and the Board can expect discussions at upcoming meetings.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chief Bjurstrom reported the District's insurance renewal has an 8.4% increase. Of the participating Districts, ours had the lowest percentage increase, in part due to no reportable accidents since August of 2018. Chairman Sutich agreed the increase seems reasonable, and with no voiced objections, instructed District staff to move forward with the renewal.

PROTHMAN FIRE CHIEF SEARCH REPORT

Taunja VanderVaate reported that District staff is working with Prothman to develop the position profile and the Board should receive a draft for review prior to the next meeting, along with an updated timeline.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

a. Resolution 2020-10 – Surplus Equipment. Chief Watson indicated this Resolution is to surplus rescue equipment no longer needed by the TRT team. The District hopes to sell the equipment to peer/smaller departments and recommended the Board approve as presented. Commissioner Nelson moved to approve Resolution 2020-10. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

b. Resolution 2020-11 – Credit Card Policy. Chief Bjurstrom indicated this Resolution is largely housekeeping to update an existing policy and recommended the Board approve as presented. After a brief discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT


GOOD OF THE ORDER


SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

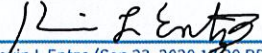
Snure Seminar – Chairman Sutich encouraged attendance of the upcoming Snure Seminar which will be held virtually this year. Brian Snure covers case law and general information and updates on what has happened over the last year.


ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Sutich adjourned the meeting at 5:33p.m. The next meeting will be 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2020.


Thomas A Sutich (Sep 23, 2020 10:16 PDT)
Chairman Commissioner


Bryce Nelson (Sep 23, 2020 17:38 PDT)
Commissioner


Kevin L Entze (Sep 23, 2020 10:29 PDT)
Commissioner


Alex Wilsie (Oct 6, 2020 17:39 PDT)
Commissioner


Joe Uvina (Sep 23, 2020 10:13 PDT)
Commissioner

John E. Burgess
John E. Burgess (Sep 23, 2020 10:08 PDT)
Attest: District Secretary