



# Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

## COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

December 22, 2020

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

Present: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson, Entze, Wilsie and Urvina, A/Chiefs E. Watson, D. Bjurstrom, T. Meyer and J. Johnson 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** – in agenda packets.

### MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioner Urvina moved to approve Minutes of the December 8, 2020 meeting. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$249,780.66. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to RCW 42.30.110.1(i)

Chairman Sutich announced a 15-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.11.1(i), will call the meeting back to regular session at 5:18pm. At 5:19, the Executive Session was extended an additional 10 minutes. At 5:29 the meeting was extended an additional 10 minutes. At 5:39pm Chairman Sutich called the meeting back into regular session.

### LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

Local 3390 President Jake Flick reported he and other Union representatives are in Boise, ID talking to firefighters and interviewing a candidate for the fire chief position.

### VOLUNTEER REPORTS

### CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Eric Watson reported that Scott Booth has been permanently assigned as Battalion Chief on C-Shift and Jason Black was selected to permanently fill the Division Chief of Logistics position.

Chief John Johnson gave a brief COVID19 update. Numbers continue to rise.

Chief Todd Meyer reported regarding a house fire last night, crews did a great job. Chaplains also responded. While there was loss on the structure, there were no injuries.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Nelson reported that he and Commissioner Urvina have attended meetings with Rice Fergus Miller and District personnel regarding capital facilities work. Commissioner Urvina commented the architects are doing a phenomenal job and that the committee has asked for a variety of options.

Chairman Sutich brought for discussion committee assignments, it was agreed that would be discussed at the first meeting in January 2021.

#### **PROTHMAN FIRE CHIEF SEARCH REPORT**

Chairman Sutich brought for discussion the fire chief hiring process. After a lengthy discussion, the following was decided:

- Final interviews will be held during a special meeting on January 15, 2021 beginning at 9:00am
- Interviews will be conducted virtually, lasting approximately 60-90 minutes each with a 30 minute break between
- There will be only one panel interview
- There will be a moderator/facilitator who will ask each candidate the same slate of questions; Board members will be allowed to ask follow up questions, I needed
- Questions will be from three sources: Board members; labor representatives and Community members
- District staff will collect proposed questions from all sources and compile a list for approval by the Board; deadline for submission of questions will be midnight Sunday, January 10, 2021
- It is anticipated the Board will conduct a second special meeting to deliberate during executive session prior to voting for any candidate

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Chairman Sutich complimented the Board on the fire chief hiring process discussion that took place tonight and thanked them for holding a great discussion on a complicated issue.


Commissioner Nelson mentioned he stopped by the Santa Run at Station 55 and said District staff did a great job this year.

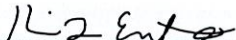
#### **SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS**


**ADJOURNMENT**


There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Sutich adjourned the meeting at 6:22pm.  
The next meeting will be 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

  
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Alex Wilsie (Jan 19, 2021 15:41 PST)  
Chairman/Commissioner

  
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Thomas A Sutich (Jan 19, 2021 12:36 PST)  
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Kevin L Entze (Jan 19, 2021 17:37 PST)  
Commissioner

  
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Bryce Nelson (Jan 19, 2021 18:04 PST)  
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Joe Urviha (Jan 19, 2021 12:48 PST)  
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John E. Burgess (Jan 20, 2021 16:21 PST)  
Attest: District Secretary