

Commissioners' Meeting
May 14, 2012

Chairman Sutich called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Present were: Commissioners Entze, Stephens and Jarmon, Chief Burgess, A/Chiefs Watson & Nixon, B/Chief Meyer, D/Chief Shoemaker, L. Abbott, J. Brenner, Local 3390 Representatives, Shift Personnel, K. Kreitzer, George and Jared Tart – Olalla Boy Scout Troop #1535

Commissioner Casebolt has an excused absence.

Our flag salute was led by Jared Tart.

Commissioners Stephens and Jarmon moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the April 23, 2012 meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Entze and Stephens moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 121031 - 121147 in the amount of \$161,246.03 and Payroll Vouchers 121148 - 121252 in the amount of \$1,051,593.91 for a total consideration of \$1,212,839.94. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Chief Burgess updated the Board on the following:

- The Fire District has had a permanent Division Chief vacancy in the Prevention Division since last April. The budgeted position has been temporarily filled by Lt. Eric Waters using the BC/Training and EMS Division Chief's Eligibility List. In March the Fire District completed a promotional exam for the Prevention Division Chief's position. Based on testing that established an Eligibility List, Chief's interviews, and work performance, Eric Waters will be promoted to the position of Prevention Division Chief effective June 1, 2012. A pinning and swearing-in ceremony will be conducted in July per the member's request. All interested personnel, family and friends are invited to attend.
- The Fire District will be participating in a county-wide drill – Operation Pine Cone on June 5th and 6th. As part of the drill, the MACC will be open on June 6th from 8:00 -10:00 am. The Fire District is anticipating the City of Gig Harbor, Pierce County Sheriff's Office, Peninsula Light and District #16 to participate. I will be leading a review of MACC operations and providing a general orientation of the facility for the participating agencies and their members.

- The annual DUI Assembly will be held at 10:00 am on Friday, May 18th at Gig Harbor High School to educate the GHHS and Peninsula High School Seniors on the effects of impaired driving. Lt. Booth will be the Incident Commander; he spoke regarding the activities that will take place throughout the day.

Assistant Chief Watson updated the Board on the following:

- Stations 53 & 57 mobile homes have been sold and the one at Station 53 will be moved out by next week. Station 57 is still waiting for as-builts and signing off on the site plan by the County.
- Training campus update: Chief Burgess has asked A/Chief Watson to look into the continuation of the training campus land use permit that is currently in place. He also asked him to research alternate venues for live fire training.

Assistant Chief Nixon updated the Board on the following:

- Reported on the recent mutual aid responses with Key Peninsula #16 and South Kitsap Fire & Rescue. Training with both districts and working together on incident calls has been very beneficial for all departments involved.
- The department is on pace to have the busiest year in responses since 2006, currently we are about 30 calls ahead.

Standing Committee Reports:

Labor Management Committee will be meeting with J. Quinn Tuesday, May 15th, 9 am.

Commissioners Stephens and Casebolt will provide a presentation regarding the implementation of impact fees at the next scheduled Board meeting on May 29, 2012.

Old Business

Chief Burgess addressed the Board regarding the PenMet Parks Fire Protection Contract for their approval. Last May, the Board of Fire Commissioners asked Chief Burgess to research the need to have a contract with PenMet Parks for Fire Protection Services as a result of three parks – the Moeller property/Sunrise Park, Fox Island Fishing Pier, and the Narrows Park being transferred from Pierce County to PenMet Parks, and the corresponding reduction of fees paid to the Fire District from Pierce County for fire protection services in accordance to RCW 52.30.020. After working with Terry Lee, Executive Director of PenMet Parks and Attorney Joe Quinn, a Draft contract was written and provided to the Board for their review at the April 23, 2012 Board meeting. The contract has been finalized; language has not been changed from previous Draft version. Chief Burgess recommended that the Board sign the contract as presented.

Commissioners Jarmon and Entze moved and seconded a motion to approve the signing of the PenMet Parks Fire Protection Contract as requested. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

New Business

L. Abbott addressed the Board regarding the Board meeting on May 28th which falls on a holiday. This item was tabled from the April 23rd Board meeting. Recommendation was made to move the meeting to Tuesday, May 29th at 3:00 pm to accommodate processing of the vouchers. Notice of Board Meeting Change will be prepared. Commissioners Stephens and Entze moved and seconded a motion to move the May 28th Board meeting to May 29th at 3:00 pm. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Chairman Sutich addressed the Board regarding the statement sent by Commissioner Casebolt regarding the meeting being held on May 29th. He further expanded on the need to have the meeting on May 29th per RCW 42.30. Chairman Sutich then stated that this item was inadvertently listed under New Business instead of Old Business as it was tabled from the April 23, 2012 Board Meeting.

L. Abbott presented the Board with the 2012 Pierce County Fire Protection Services Contract for their approval. Copies were provided to the Board for their review. L. Abbott noted the amount to be collected this year has increased by \$958 from last year and recommended the Board sign the contract as presented. Commissioners Entze and Stephens moved and seconded a motion to approve the signing of the 2012 Pierce County Fire Protection Services contract as requested. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Public Comment

Jared Tart from Olalla Boy Scout Troop #1535 expanded on his attending the Board meeting for his “Communications” and “Citizenship in the Community” merit badges.

Karl Kreitzer spoke to the excellent work John Johnson put into the EMS levy passing.

Good of the Order

Chairman Sutich announced the signing of documents.

Special Interests/Upcoming Events

Pierce County Fire Commissioners meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 24th at Central Pierce Fire & Rescue #6 - 17520 22nd Ave. E., Tacoma.

The Washington Fire Chiefs Annual Conference will be held on May 21st – 25th at the Yakima Convention Center. Commissioners Casebolt, Sutich and Jarmon will be attending.

PCFD #5 will be hosting the Pierce County Fire Chief’s Association meeting at 11:30 am on Thursday, June 7th at District Headquarters.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioners Jarmon and Entze moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:31 p.m. No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held May 29, 2012 at 3:00 PM.

Attest: District Secretary

Chairman Commissioner

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