

## **Commissioners' Meeting**

July 26, 2016

Chairman Duncan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present were: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson & Smith, Chief Burgess, A/Chief Bjurstrom, D. Weyn, D/Chief Waters, Lt. N. Langlow, N. Tatom, R. Watson, J. Huscroft, K. Kreitzer, J. Gibbs

Commissioner Entze, A/Chief Nixon, and A/Chief Watson had excused absences.

Our flag salute was led by Chairman Duncan.

There were no communications.

Commissioners Sutich and Nelson moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the July 12, 2016 Commissioner Meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Nelson and Smith moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 161084-161137 in the amount of \$63,782. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Chief Burgess updated the Board on the following:

- A/Chiefs Watson and Nixon are on vacation this week
- Firefighter B. Stokke accepted a position with Seattle Fire Department. Because of the SAFER Grant, we will have 6 months to replace him. We will possibly run a lateral and an entry level process.
- IT Contract with Central Pierce is still in process. When they approve it, we will bring it to the Board.
- Will be attending a workshop tomorrow with SS911.

D. Weyn presented the quarterly financial report for the second quarter of 2016. Expense Fund balance totaled \$3,827,824.00 in cash and investments. Reserve Fund balance ended the month at \$4,026,709.00 in cash and invested funds. Revenues in the amount of \$8,315,238.00 have been collected so far this year representing 54.42% of the revenues forecasted for 2016. Expenditures to date are \$8,798,771.00 which is 48.03% of the total budgeted amount for the year.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

D. Weyn updated the Board on the Administrative Medical Insurance; currently looking for better rates.

## **Old Business**

Chairman Duncan updated the Board on EMS Levy Lid-Lift “For” and “Against” Committees; there is no new interest in the committees. The “For Committee” consists of Commissioners Nelson and Smith, N. Langlow, and R. Wasmund.

A/Chief Bjurstrom updated the Board on the Strategic Plan. There have been a few changes to the plan and work groups have been formed. The District’s data needs have led us to look at new ways to create reports and process our data. Another 6-8 weeks of work to be done.

Chief Burgess presented the Board with the EMS Levy Explanatory Statement. The statement will be included with our submission to the auditor.

Commissioner Duncan updated the board on the Residential Sprinkler Ordinance; the Mayor has requested that the District engage a mediator to address the issues with the Master Builder Association. Cost would be \$2,100 split between the city, the District, and the M.B.A. Chairman Duncan and Commissioner Sutich moved and seconded a motion to approve spending one third the cost (\$700) of a mediator. Commissioner Nelson expressed his concern that the cost could possibly exceed the \$700, and discussion followed. D/Chief Waters and Chief Burgess explained this is a Public Safety measure and we should continue to advocate for it. Chairman Duncan and Commissioner Nelson moved and seconded a motion to include a \$750 limit on the expenditure. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

## **New Business**

Chief Burgess updated the Board on the Station 51 Underground Fuel Tanks. Recently we received notice from the Health Department that our Underground Storage Tanks Removal and Site Closure Permit has expired and we need to immediately renew the permit. The permit fee is \$1,240.00 for a 12 month extension/renewal. The plan is to process the permit renewal fee for \$1,240.00 and we would like to move forward with hiring an engineering firm in early August. If contamination is present, we will probably need to remove asphalt and concrete, excavate contaminated soil, and replace the soil/pavement.

## **Public Comment**

Citizen J. Gibbs thanked Chief Burgess for his presentation on the Levy Lid-Lift at the Chamber Breakfast on Thursday. Mr. Gibbs commented that taxation should be a last resort and possibly the District should look into User Fees.

## **District #5 Member Comment**

Lt. N. Langlow updated the Board on the following:

- There is a Levy “For” Committee meeting tomorrow night.
- October is Breast Cancer Awareness month; we will be supporting the cause this year and N. Tatom will be handling t-shirt orders, which have already started to come in.
- “Fill the Boot” had its best year ever thanks to B. Brown and his wife Joanne.

## **Good of the Order**

Chairman Duncan announced the signing of documents.

**Special Interests/Upcoming Events**

There was no interest/upcoming events.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Duncan adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m. No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday August 9, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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