

**Commissioners' Meeting**  
September 27, 2016

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

Present were: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson, Smith, & Entze, Chief Burgess, A/Chiefs Nixon & Bjurstrom, BC Meyer, Lt. Langlow, D.Weyn, E.Beck.

A/Chief Watson had an excused absence.

Our flag salute was led by Chairman Duncan.

Commissioners Sutich and Entze moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the September 13, 2016 Commissioner Meeting as mailed. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

Commissioners Nelson and Sutich moved and seconded a motion to approve Blanket Vouchers 161411-161475 in the amount of \$101,187.05. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

There were no changes to the Agenda.

A/Chief Nixon updated the board on the following:

- D. Togstad and members from Local 3390 broke ground for the new 9/11 Memorial last week. A few more work parties are anticipated to complete the project. Commissioner Sutich commented that he was given a tour of the site and it looks like it will be nice when completed.

A/Chief Bjurstrom updated the board on the following:

- On September 14<sup>th</sup>, there was a meeting with the City and Master Builders Association (MBA) to follow up on the fire sprinkler ordinance for August 29<sup>th</sup>. MBA stated there was not enough time for design and would prove to be too high in cost. The city attempted to mitigate concerns by pushing the adoption date to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 6 months later, and to providing \$9,998 in incentives. A permanent reduction of \$4,891 for sprinkler meter charge and for the first six months of 2017, to provide \$4,000 for the water connection, as well as a free sprinkler plan review. A/Chief Bjurstrom printed out an email to confirm their position regarding an inability to reach a settlement. It will go back to the City and they will reach a final decision in October.

Chief Burgess on behalf of A/Chief Watson updated the board on the following:

- Trenching has begun at Station 51 for the Peninsula Light Company to re-lay power line from the box to facility as outages and line failures had been discovered.
- An official announcement for the Public Education position will go out on October 1.
- The new Medic Unit, A17, has been picked up from NW Outfitters.
- Station 51 needs underground tanks replaced. We are currently accepting bids and have received a dozen, though no official bid yet. Will close for bids October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Hydrant maintenance project completed over the summer, with 975 hydrants brushed and painted.

Commission Duncan motioned to approve an excused absence from the September 13<sup>th</sup> Commissioner Meeting for Commissioner Smith. Commissioners Nelson and Sutich moved and seconded approval of Commissioner Smith's absence at the prior meeting. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

No Standing Committee Reports.

### **Old Business**

Commissioner Smith updated the Board on the Insurance Committee. The committee met on September 22 regarding the close of the renewal cycle; according to Fournier Insurance there will be a 9% decrease in cost, with a total savings of \$10,000. Commissioner Sutich inquired about bids from other insurance companies. Commissioner Smith stated they were too far along in the renewal process and were pleased with the reduction in cost. Chief Burgess agreed that the renewal rate was fair, but stated in the future more bids would be considered. Commissioner Smith recommended that the Board accept the policy as presented. Commissioners Smith and Nelson moved and seconded approval to accept the insurance policy from Fournier Insurance. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

### **New Business:**

Chief Burgess presented the Board with the first draft of the 2017 budget.

### **Public Comment**

There was no Public Comment.

### **District #5 Member Comment**

There was no District #5 Member Comment.

### **Good of the Order**

Chairman Duncan announced the signing of documents.

### **Special Interests/Upcoming Events**

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Duncan adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. No further business was introduced and the motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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Attest: District Secretary

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