



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2022

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

Present: Commissioners Wilsie, Sutich, Entze, Nelson and Urvina, F/C D. Doan, A/Cs P. Oldenburg, T. Meyer, J. Johnson and EA T. VanderVaate

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioners Entze and Nelson moved and seconded 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

Commissioners Urvina and Sutich moved and seconded approval of the August 23, 2022 meeting minutes. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners Nelson and Urvina moved and seconded approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers 197835-197960, Payroll Vouchers 197961-197977, ACH transfers and wire transfer fees as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$2,534,702.71. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

President Flick reported the Uniformed and Non-Uniformed collective bargaining agreements passed vote of the membership.

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Doan:

- Wildland Updates:
 - Brush Truck 55 is deployed to the Cedar Creek Fire in Oregon.
 - N. Johnson is deployed to the Double Creek Fire in Oregon.
 - A/C J. Johnson was deployed to the Bolt Creek Fire in Snohomish County, but has returned.
- Promotions Updates:
 - B/C Scott Booth is being promoted to Assistant Chief of Health, Safety and Emergency Preparedness, effective October 1, 2022.
 - Noah Falk is being promoted to Battalion Chief, effective October 1, 2022.

- These promotions exhaust the established B/C and D/C promotional lists. The District will be conducting an internal process to fill the D/C of Logistics position.
- Administrative Updates:
 - District is changing from annual accrual of vacation to monthly accrual. This will be reflected in the Collective Bargaining Agreements as well as personal services contracts as it impacts all employees.
 - District is hiring lateral paramedics.
 - Washington Fire Chiefs Legislative Committee met today to set their agenda for the year.
 - Work continues with South Sound 911 to improve CAD to CAD so we can work better with our South Kitsap neighbors as well as getting more accurate call processing times. Will be attending South Sound 911 Board meeting tomorrow, working to create one radio system.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Sutich reported he attended a West Side insurance meeting. District premiums will increase 8% in 2023. Had it not been for inflation, the premiums would have decreased.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

A. 2022 Bond Measure.

- Chief Oldenburg introduced Scott Bauer of Northwest Mutual Advisors who presented to the Board regarding where we are in the bond process and the current recommendation of a competitive bond sale. A brief discussion followed.
- Chief Doan advised the Board his plan to modify A/C Johnson's title to A/C of Special Projects for him to focus on the Bond and building projects. He introduced Becky Blankenship of Hill International who gave a presentation regarding the services they offer. Discussion followed.
- Chief Doan and the Board had discussion regarding moving forward with bond projects.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2023 Budget Planning Timelines. Chief Oldenburg provided the Board with the 2023 Budget Planning Timeline and advised the first draft of the 2023 budget would be presented at the September 27, 2022 meeting.

B. Hybrid Meetings. Chief Doan advised the Board there are additional delays in having hybrid meeting capabilities at headquarters – current projections are for 2023. Discussion followed. The Board agreed to continue meeting virtually, continuing to offer an in-person option for community members. District staff will research potential off-site meeting locations that offer hybrid meeting technology.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:15pm, Chairman Wilsie announced a 25-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140 to discuss collective bargaining negotiations. At 6:40pm, Chairman Wilsie called the meeting back into regular session. No action was taken by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Karl Kreitzer, resident of the City of Gig Harbor, asked the Board if it is looking into obtaining a sales tax exemption for bond building projects. Discussion followed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Nelson extended his gratitude to everyone involved with putting together the District's 9/11 Ceremony.


SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS


Washington State Fire Commissioner's Conference – October 26-29, 2022. Commissioners Urvina and Nelson are scheduled to attend.

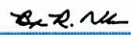
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
There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Wilsie adjourned the meeting at 6:50pm. The next regular meeting will be 5:00pm on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.



Alex Wilsie (Oct 4, 2022 08:42 PDT)
Chairman/Commissioner


Thomas A Sutich (Oct 4, 2022 08:40 PDT)
Commissioner


Kevin L Entze (Oct 3, 2022 15:25 PDT)
Commissioner


Bryce Nelson (Oct 4, 2022 08:54 PDT)
Commissioner


Joe Urvina (Oct 3, 2022 16:17 PDT)
Commissioner


Attest: District Secretary