



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

November 8, 2022

Vice Chairman Sutich called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Sutich, Nelson and Urvina, F/C D. Doan, A/Cs P. Oldenburg, S. Booth, Finance Director K. Hackmeister and EA T. VanderVaate. Commissioner Entze joined the meeting at 5:10pm

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioners Urvina 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

Vice Chairman Sutich advised that Chairman Wilsie would be absent from tonight's meeting. Taunja VanderVaate advised the Board that Commissioner Entze would be arriving (virtually) late due to technical issues. Commissioners Nelson and Urvina moved and seconded to approve Chairman Wilsie's absence from today's meeting. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioners Urvina and Nelson moved and seconded approval of the October 25, 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 198206-198268, Payroll Vouchers 198269-198285, ACH transfers and wire transfer fees as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$2,519,928.33. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Doan:

- Fire Inspector Paul Hayes is retiring in 2023; announcement to fill the position is open, interviews will be conducted soon
- PCSORT/PCHIT – in process of reviewing consultant's recommendation and scheduling meeting for the Fire Chiefs to review
- South Sound 911 and South Kitsap 911 CAD to CAD work continues

- Pierce County Fire Chiefs Association – was elected to the Board for 2023
- MSO changes are moving forward – we still have one open slot on days, interviews are next week
- Lateral Paramedic hiring – two candidates are expected to start work soon
- Will be on vacation November 19-26, will participate in November 22 meeting remotely
- EMS Levy on today's ballot – still time to get out and vote for those who haven't voted yet
- Testing a Meeting Owl for a hybrid meeting experience
- Command Staff meeting later this month to work on 2023 work plan – please submit any requests or ideas

Commissioner Entze joined the virtual meeting in progress at 5:10pm.

Discussion followed regarding the Meeting Owl/hybrid meetings. No action was taken.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2022 BOND UPDATE

Chief Doan advised the Board that Chief Johnson is on vacation; District staff are working to find a construction project manager.

Chief Oldenburg advised the Board that the District received an AA rating from Standard & Poors. District staff finalized the preliminary official statement; interested firms are reviewing now for the bond sale on November 16th. Everything is moving along well.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. 2023 Budget Hearing – 4th Draft 2023 Budget. Krystal Hackmeister presented the 4th draft of the operating budget and 2nd draft of the capital and debt service budget and noted the budget includes the levy lid lift on today's ballot and benefits updates. The capital budget has no changes from the first draft. There was a slight change to the debt service fund that will be updated again after the bond sale.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution 2022-XX – 2023 Budget Approval for levying taxes. Krystal Hackmeister presented four draft resolutions for budget adoption explaining all are required by the County, however tonight no action is requested tonight.
- B. Resolution 2022-XX – 2023 Fire Expense. Resolution states applicable dollar amount. This is year six of six and is the highest allowable amount under the current lid lift.
- C. Resolution 2022-XX – 2023 EMS Expense. Resolution is as proposed in the EMS levy, and includes a rate instead of a dollar amount because it is the first year of the levy reset.
- D. Resolution 2022-XX – Capital Expense. This allows us to levy the capital funds and does not have a levy amount yet, but will after the bond sale on November 16th.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Karl Kreitzer, resident of the City of Gig Harbor, stated he has not received detailed budget information that was requested during the October 25 meeting.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Taunja VanderVaate reminded the Board to RSVP by Monday, November 14 for the December 1 County Chiefs and Commissioners banquet.

SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

11/16/2022 – Bond Sale

12/1/2022 – Pierce County Fire Commissioners and Fire Chiefs Annual Banquet

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Stich adjourned the meeting at 5:33pm.

The next regular meeting will be 5:00pm on Tuesday, November 22, 2022.

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