



Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2023

Chairman Urvina called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the flag salute.

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioners Wilsie and Entze moved and seconded approval of the agenda as presented. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

Commissioners Nelson and Wilsie announced they may miss the April 11, 2023 meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

Thank you letter in packets.

MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioners Sutich and Wilsie moved and seconded approval of the February 28, 2023 meeting minutes. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners Nelson and Wilsie moved and seconded approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers 198739-198850, Payroll Vouchers 198928-199021 as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$277,369.48. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Meyer reported:

- We supported Tacoma Fire Department with an Engine and Medic Unit on Saturday, March 11, 2023; we also received an email from Fire Chief Green thanking us for our support;
- Let the Board know Gig Harbor Police Chief Busey recently conducted some training for our District officers;
- The District hosted an Instructor One class for Tacoma Fire and Gig Harbor Fire;

- This week West Pierce Fire is conducting forcible entry training on our training campus.

Chief Doan reported:

- He was invited to participate in the Pull for a Soldier fundraiser and will be competing against Gig Harbor Police Chief Busey in a Trap Shoot competition Thursday evening;
- Command Staff have made the decision to leave the IT Consortium and bring the work back in house. The first step will be to hire an IT person, title to be determined, and have that person onboarded to begin the process of unwinding from the consortium with a goal of being done by year end;
- Chief Oldenburg will be submitting a SAFER Grant application this week to hire six firefighters;
- The District will see a revenue reduction due to changes in the GEMT program;
- Work continues on completing our WSRB review;
- An announcement has been posted for the Driver/Operator program that begins next year;
- He will be making a presentation to the Gig Harbor City Council during their April 10, 2023 meeting;
- District staff are working with Strategies 360 to finalize key messages and design a website regarding the proposed general fire levy lid lift; a draft resolution is currently being reviewed by legal counsel and will be presented to the Board for review on March 28, 2023.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

FINANCE REPORT

Krystal Hackmeister presented the first edition of finance report in its new format. Discussion followed.

2022 BOND UPDATE

Chief Johnson updated the Board regarding current training tower, support building projects. He anticipates applying for permits with the County in May. For Stations 53/57, he anticipates applying for permits in April or May. Discussion followed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

At 5:26pm, Chairman Urvina announced a 15-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee. The meeting was called back to regular session at 5:41pm. Commissioners Sutich and Nelson moved and seconded authorizing the Board Chair to sign the Fire Chief's performance evaluation. With no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED by unanimous roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A. Fireblast Contract. Assistant Chief Johnson presented a Fireblast Contract for approval by the Board and advised them that it had been reviewed by legal counsel. Discussion followed. Commissioners Nelson and Entze moved and seconded approval of the Fireblast contract. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

GOOD OF THE ORDER

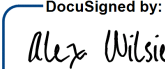
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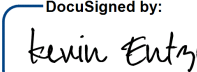
ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Urvina adjourned the meeting at 5:48pm. The next regular meeting will be 5:00pm on Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

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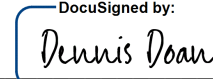
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