



# Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

## COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2023

Chairman Urvina called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioners Urvina, Wilsie (virtual, joined meeting in progress), Entze Sutich and Nelson, F/C D. Doan, A/Cs P. Oldenburg, T. Meyer, S. Booth, J. Johnson, J. Black, Finance Director Krystal Hackmeister (virtual), Human Resources Program Manager Janelle Gunder, and EA T. VanderVaate.

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

### COMMISSIONER ABSENCE

### COMMUNICATIONS

### MINUTES AND BLANKET VOUCHERS

Commissioners Sutich and Entze moved and seconded approval of the June 27, 2023 meeting minutes. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners Nelson and Sutich moved and seconded approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers 199631-199676 as set forth in the agenda for a total consideration of \$289,385.59. With no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous roll call vote.

### LOCAL 3390 REPORTS

### CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Oldenburg reported:

- 2024 Budget build process has begun. Commissioners can expect to see more information in September.
- District staff have submitted a request to the State Local program to replace SCBA equipment and await a response to determine the next steps.
- A conditional offer has been extended to a candidate for the IS Manager position. Look for an announcement with more information soon.

Chief Booth reported:

- Health and Safety has hosted several classes recently. Four sessions in June with Phoebe

Mulligan regarding Understanding Trauma; we have received great feedback. This month's sessions are being taught by Chaplains John Burgess and Gary Rudd regarding Caring for Grieving People; so far feedback on this one is good too.

Chief Meyer reported:

- The Driver/Operator process is complete and a list of 35 candidates has been created.
- The promotional process for B/C, D/C and LT has formally kicked off.
- July 3-4 was busy. District personnel responded to 25 alarms on July 3 and 22 alarms on July 4 with two brush fires near the Fox Island bridge.
- A large fire in Mason County started on July 4; the District did not deploy due to limited resources.
- July 6 we had a brush fire in Crescent Valley. Crews did an excellent job of making a quick stop.
- July 9 BC51 and A/C Johnson responded to a fire in Key Peninsula; Chiefs Oldenburg and Meyer assisted operations with personnel.
- Chief Johnson and FF Andy Cochrane deployed to the Tunnel Five Fire in the Skamania, WA area as a Strike Team Leader (Johnson) and Trainee (Cochrane). Both have returned home.

Chief Doan reported:

- He received a call from the Incident Commander of the Tunnel Five Fire during the event. He frequently receives calls, but it's rare for one to call during the event. He was calling to say what a great job Chief Johnson and FF Cochrane were doing.
- Mediation with L3390 regarding PFML is scheduled for August 11; District staff are working with legal counsel to prepare and will brief Commissioners Entze and Wilsie as Labor Management Committee members before mediation occurs.
- Levy is moving along; Strategies 360 is doing a great job; the Voters Pamphlet has arrived in mailboxes and has raised some questions. Response has been very positive.
- Work has started for Washington Fire Chiefs Board; will be missing the first meeting this month, but will attend the next meeting in September.
- He and Chief Johnson are working on the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of Station 51 design.
- He is working with the IAFF and local council regarding a PSOB claim for Eliza Hoover's family; District staff are working to gather information for the application.
- District staff have encountered issues at the County level; the issues are not unique to our District; the County Chiefs are frustrated with the EMS certification process and have begun working together to fix it. Advising the Board that the issues may escalate to the County Council level. A brief discussion followed.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Entze reported that the Finance and Audit Committee members participated in an audit intake meeting with the State Auditor last week and the audit is now in process.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**2022 CAPITAL BOND PROJECTS UPDATE**

Chief Johnson reported updates regarding the permitting process for several projects underway.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Health & Safety Expo. Chief Doan recommended that the District not restart hosting a Health and Safety Expo. Discussion followed. Group consensus was not to restart hosting the Expo.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Multi-Year Capital & Staffing Plan. Krystal Hackmeister presented a Multi-Year Capital & Staffing Plan presentation for the Board with projections over the next six-year levy period. Discussion followed. No action was taken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**SPECIAL INTERESTS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Urvina adjourned the meeting at 6:00 pm. The next regular meeting will be 5:00pm on Tuesday, July 25, 2023.

  
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 Joe Urvina (Jul 27, 2023 21:00 PDT)  
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 Dennis Doan (Jul 28, 2023 07:40 PDT)  
 Attest: District Secretary