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King County Fire Protection District 40

Regular Commissioners' Meeting

March 13, 2008

4:30 p.m.

Commissioner
CRAIG VIOLANTE

Commissioner
CHARLOTTE RYAN

Commissioner
RUSS PRICE

Commissioner
RONNIE BEHNKE

Deputy Chief
CHUCK DUFFY

Board Secretary
DEANNA GRATZER

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Violante called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for King County Fire Protection District 40 to order at 4:35 p.m. Commissioners present for the Call to Order: Violante, Ryan and Behnke (Commissioner Behnke was present by phone; Commissioner Price was excused by prior Board Action). Also attending were DC Duffy; Secretary Gratzner; Consultant Paul Witt; Attorney Kinnon Williams; Rena Hardy; Lisa Garvich; Stan Moe; Craig Soucy; Erik Wallgren; Bob Jensen; Ken Palmer; and James West.

CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no citizen comments for agenda items.

DISTRICT PERSONNEL COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no District Personnel Comments for agenda items.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - Presented by DC Duffy:

Personnel:

All personnel interested in doing so have now found employment with the City of Renton. Lon Ledvina accepted an offer and is scheduled to start on March 17, 2008.

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Chief Duffy reported that he has now returned to his previous duties as the Deputy Chief of Community Risk Reduction.

Transition:

Due to significant planning and effort, the February 29 transition of operations was seamless. Chief Daniels and Deputy Chief Duffy were present at St. 13 (42) for the transition.

The Logistics Division has moved into the administrative space at St.13 (42). Captain John Hettick is the Senior Officer.

The City Maintenance personnel are re-keying doors at both stations. Commissioner access will remain unrestricted.

The City of Renton and the Red Cross are in communication to allow the Red Cross to store a mobile kitchen unit and supplies in our jurisdiction. These talks are ongoing.

At the Boards request, Lisa Garvich created an informational flyer to mail to the Citizens of District 40. It is available for the Boards review and approval.

Appreciation/Recognition:

Chief Duffy recognized key individuals responsible for making the Annexation and Contract for Services a smooth transition. A list is on file with these minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Termination of the City of Kent Fire Department Training contract

Refer to Intergovernmental Affairs workgroup report.

Request for Back Lot Use at Old Station 42:

There is nothing new to report at this time.

Resolution 453:

Board Chair Commissioner Violante announced that the Board has prepared a Resolution to Surplus Obsolete Equipment (District 40 uniforms)

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ryan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Behnke to approve **Resolution 453** as presented. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Minutes of the Previous Meeting –February 28, 2008

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- b. Expense Fund Vouchers No. 02618 through 02657- Amount \$274,168.87
- c. Bond Fund Voucher No. 01181 through 01183 - Amount \$7,344.59

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ryan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Behnke to approve the consent calendar as presented. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 452

Board Chair Commissioner Violante announced that the Board has prepared a Resolution to Surplus Obsolete Equipment (Dedication Plaque).

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Behnke and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Ryan to approve the **Resolution 452** as presented. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Commissioner Violante inquired if there was any type of conflict in Resolving to declare an item obsolete and awarding it to a particular individual. Attorney Williams indicated that the Dedication Plaque has no monetary value. The other individuals named on the plaque were in attendance at this meeting. Paul Witt and BC Moe indicated they were not interested in the plaque.

WORKGROUP REPORTS:

Intergovernmental Affairs:

Commissioner Behnke reported that she made contact with Mayor Suzette Cooke's office in regards to the Kent Training contract. She was referred to Fire Chief, Jim Schneider. Commissioner Behnke met with Chief Schneider, however, he indicated that he did not feel the Kent Fire Department is in a position to cancel the contract this year. Commissioner Behnke indicated to the Chief that he needs to understand the Districts predicament. Chief Schneider agreed to meet with the Mayor when she returns to see what could be worked out. Commissioner Behnke will follow up with Chief Schneider on the 24th.

Labor: There is nothing new to report at this time.

Renton Transition:

Commissioner Ryan reported there is a nice article in the Renton Reporter about Commission Conaway and the Benson Hill Annexation. The Fairwood Flyer intends to run a similar article.

XO Communications is unwilling to release the business line to Qwest. Attorney Williams indicated the XO Communications contract he was provided

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is vague at best and requested that a more complete agreement be located and provided to him for review.

Attorney Williams is in ongoing talks with the City of Renton to negotiate the asset transfer and employee benefit transfer.

Budget: There is nothing new to report at this time.

Insurance: There is nothing new to report at this time.

Planning: There is nothing new to report at this time.

Attorney Williams will contact Commissioner Price to determine when he is available for mediation dates.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

There were no citizen comments.

DISTRICT PERSONNEL COMMENTS:

Craig Soucy, IAFF 864 President announced that Carl Pedersen will remain the union point of contact for the District and the Union.

BC Moe indicated the transition has been a positive experience.

Lisa Garvich said that District 40 personnel have been made to feel part of the Renton team. There has been great coordination, sharing and helpfulness on the part of Renton employees.

ONCE AROUND THE TABLE:

Commissioner Behnke indicated that she would like the District to host the King County Fire Commissioner Association meeting in May, July or August. Commissioner Behnke will email Secretary Gratzner with the date so the meeting room reservation can be coordinated with the City of Renton.

There was discussion of the organizational structure of the Department and the need for a retreat. Commissioner Violante is interested in a retreat but at a later time. Attorney Williams suggested waiting to see how it all plays out.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:


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There was no Executive Session.

There being no further business or discussion at this time, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

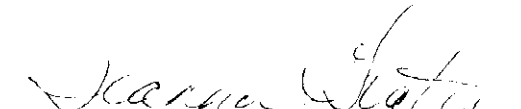
The next regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners is scheduled for **Thursday, March 27, 2008, at 4:30 P.M.**


Craig Violante, Board Chair


Charlotte Ryan, Commissioner


Ronnie Behnke, Commissioner


Russ Price, Commissioner


Deanna Gratzer, District Secretary

Attachment Meeting Agenda
Chief's Report (03/27/08)
Voucher Detail Listings
Resolution 452
Resolution 453
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