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**King County Fire Protection District 40**

***Regular Commissioners' Meeting***

**April 30, 2009**

**4:30 p.m.**

**Commissioner**  
RONNIE BEHNKE

**Commissioner**  
MIKE WARFEL

**Commissioner**  
CHARLOTTE RYAN

**Commissioner**  
RUSS PRICE

**Commissioner**  
CRAIG VIOLANTE

**Deputy Chief**  
BOB VAN HORNE

**Board Secretary**  
DEANNA GRATZER

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Behnke called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for King County Fire Protection District 40 to order at 4:30 p.m. Commissioners present for the Call to Order: Behnke, Ryan, Price, Warfel and Violante. Also attending were Secretary Gratzner, Consultant Paul Witt, Chief David Daniels, Deputy Chief Bob Van Horne, Deputy Chief Bill Flora, Battalion Chief Karl Rufener, Captain Erik Wallgren, and Assistant Fire Marshal Dave Pargas .

Commissioner Behnke requested an excused absence for the May 14, 2009 meeting.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warfel and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Price to allow Commissioner Behnke an excused absence for the May 14, 2009 meeting. The **MOTION CARRIED (5-0)**.

Commissioner Warfel requested an excused absence for the May 28, 2009 meeting.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Price and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Violante to allow Commissioner Warfel an excused absence for the May 28, 2009 meeting. The **MOTION CARRIED (5-0)**.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS:**

There were no Citizen comments for agenda items.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Correspondence received consisted of a cash transmittal receipt in the amount of \$58,249.21.00 deposited to the Expense Fund; and a letter from the

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Boundary Review Board in regards to Notice of Hearing on the Proposed City of Fairwood.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Financial reports were provided to the Board.

Financial reports are available to the public upon written request.

### **FIRE INSPECTOR POSTION / FIRE INSPECTIONS:**

The Board and Chief Daniels reviewed the contract between the City and the District; and the services to be performed within the districts jurisdictional boundaries by the district funded lead inspector position.

Commissioner Violante clarified that the contract provides details of inspection services to be provided and performed. The position was not funded to guarantee future employment of former district employees; inspection services were expected to be performed.

Commissioner Violante inquired whether the district should continue funding the lead inspector position.

Inspections and code enforcement are the responsibility of King County. The Lead Inspector has no enforcement authority in the District. The Lead Inspector position is a valued added position.

The Board requested that Chief Daniels present a report supporting the value in continued funding of the Lead Inspector position. A report will be presented in June.

### **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - Presented by Chief David Daniels:**

#### **Fire District 40 Response Time – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:**

Chief Daniels presented the Fire District 40 response times for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2009. The report includes response measurements and factors affecting response times.

#### **Personnel:**

There is nothing new to report at this time.

#### **Miscellaneous:**

There is nothing new to report at this time.

#### **Significant Incidents:**

There were no significant incidents.

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## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

There was no Unfinished Business.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- a. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – April 9, 2009
- b. Expense Fund Vouchers No. 05001 through 05014--Amount \$24,180.11

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Price and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Violante to approve the consent calendar as presented. The **MOTION CARRIED (5-0)**.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Behnke and Consultant Paul Witt attended a presentation on Implementation of a Regional Fire Authority. A question and answer sheet on why a Fire Authority should be considered; and an implementation guide was distributed to participants.

A copy of the guide will be provided to commissioners unable to attend the presentation.

## **WORKGROUP REPORTS:**

### **Capital Facilities/Equipment:**

The King County Housing of evaluation of Station 17 is expected to be complete at the end of April.

Consultant Paul Witt continues dialogue with the parties interested in Apparatus 415 and the generator at Station 17.

There has been no interest in Apparatus 427 (Dodge Caravan). Consultant Paul Witt will discuss options for Aparatus 427 with the Workgroup.

Various options for disposal of the remaining equipment and supplies is still being considered and/or pursued. The majority of those items are located at the 10810/10828 facility. Captain Wallgren provided the workgroup with a detailed list of surplus items located at Station 17.

Unauthorized parking at the 10810/10828 continues to be a concern. The workgroup will address this issue.

### **Community Relations:**

Commissioner Ryan is working on updating the District website.

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Commissioner Ryan is attempting to contact citizen Vaughn Miles to present him with a copy of the scrapbooks as previously requested.

Commissioner Warfel reported that Commissioner Price delivered the scrapbooks to the Renton History Museum.

### **Finance:**

Commissioner Violante reported that the workgroup will be presenting a letter to the City of Renton requesting a reduction in the contract. The contract is cost plus based. Any reduction in salary and/or benefits agreed upon between the city and labor unions should result in a proportionate reduction in the Districts contract cost.

Commissioner Violante reported that the workgroup has requested a meeting with Doug McDonald, IAFF 864, to inquire about the locals opposition to the Fairwood incorporation.

### **Policy:**

Commissioners Behnke and Ryan continue to review the Department Policy and Procedure Manual. However, there is nothing new to report at this time.

### **Intergovernmental Relations:**

The workgroup was provided a copy of the correspondence from the Boundary Review Board announcing the Fairwood Incorporation Hearing. Commissioner Violante plans to attend the hearings.

### **Risk Management:**

There is nothing new to report at this time.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

There were no citizen comments.

### **ONCE AROUND THE TABLE:**

Commissioner Violante inquired if RFE&S has a pandemic plan for the Swine Flu.

Deputy Chief Van Horne reported that the City's plan is modeled after the King County Pandemic Flu Plan & Continued Operations Plan.

Commissioner Behnke reminded the Board that the District is hosting the King County Fire Commissioners meeting on May 20 at Station 13.

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Commissioners Ryan and Warfel reported that they both attended the candidate / elections informational meetings conducted by King County Department of elections.

Commissioner Violante inquired of the City's plan to remove the district signs from Station 13.

Deputy Chief Van Horne reported there is not a plan at this time.

There were no other Board comments.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was no Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on **Thursday, May 14, 2009 at 4:30 P.M.**

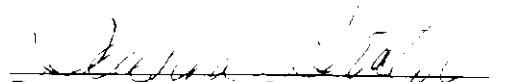
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Ronnie Behnke, Chair

  
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Craig Violante, Commissioner

  
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Mike Warfel, Commissioner

  
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Charlotte Ryan, Vice Chair

  
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Russ Price, Commissioner

  
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Deanna Gratzler, District Secretary

Attachments:

- Meeting Agenda
- Chief's Report
- Cash Transmittal
- Boundary Review Board Letter
- 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr Response Statistics
- Fire Authority Implementation Guide