



Clark County Fire & Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2014

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Jerry Kolke at 3:00 PM.

Flag Salute led by Commissioner Kolke.

Present: Chief Dennis Mason, Commissioners Larry Bartel, Dave Town, Bob Johnson, Jerry Kolke. Recording Secretary Maureen Groat.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

Commissioner Bartel requested an update on the Cowlitz tribe meeting be added under Old Business .

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Bartel to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second Johnson. Bartel questioned whether the cost for individuals attending the recent BNSF train training in Colorado is reimbursable. Chief Ciraulo responded that the training is at no cost to the District. Travis Smith added that it was very worthwhile training. He felt it was time well spent. Bartel questioned boat fuel expense of \$409.00 for CRESA dispatchers. Chief Yager explained that each year dispatchers are required to do 15 hours of training; the outings for the dispatchers were our portion of their training. No further discussion. Passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Mason shared an announcement he received for a series of Snure Seminars titled The Wonderful World of Employment. The seminars are scheduled to take place in Spokane. If anyone is interested in attending, they should let Chief Mason know.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

STANDING COMMITTEES

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

Commissioner Johnson reported the next scheduled meeting is November 13th. Chief Mason added that there is a Joint District 6 and CCF&R meeting at Station 151 at 6 PM this evening.

Clark County Risk Management Group

No meeting. No report.

Finance Committee

No meeting. No report.

RFA Committee

Chief Mason reported that the last meeting was held in October. He stated it was a relatively short meeting. The plan was adopted by the committee as drafted. There have been no changes made to the plan since Battle Ground pulled out of the process. Clark 2 and Woodland have both given their approvals of the draft plan.

Chief's Report

Chief Mason presented the Board with his monthly Chief's Report. He stated the report will be presented to the city councils as well as the commissioners from Clark District 2.

WFCA Conference Report

Commissioner Johnson stated he thought there were good speakers. He felt he made good connections. Commissioner Bartel stated the New York City Firefighter report was very moving. Overall, he felt the conference was good – not outstanding.

SWFCA Meeting Report

Commissioner Bartel reported he attended the SWFCA meeting. Senator Ann Rivers was in attendance. Items of interest that were discussed included All Risk Mobilization legislation and capital expenditures for the North Bend training facility. Overall, Commissioner Bartel reported it was a good meeting.

2015 Revenue Hearing

Chief Mason opened the official 2015 Revenue Hearing. He stated the packet presented to the Board contains the 2015 draft budget and a narrative outlining areas of the budget. Chief Mason presented an overview and explanation of the line items. Chief Mason stated that there is an anticipated 10.2% overall increase in revenue, with a total revenue budget of \$9,645,100 for 2015. Commissioner Kolke opened the Revenue Public Hearing and asked for comments; no comments voiced. He then closed the public hearing. Chief Mason proceeded with the expense side of the draft budget. He stated again that each section is outlined in the narrative. He highlighted significant changes from the 2014 budget, stating that the final draft expense budget for 2015 totals \$9,645,100. He stated that the numbers are still being worked out, but he is anticipating a \$100,000 - \$130,000 carry-over and that these funds will help replenish the reserve fund. A resolution will be presented at the next scheduled meeting for adoption. An adopted budget is due in to the county by the end of the month.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Bartel reported that he, Chief Mason and Chief Yager met with the chairman and assistant chairman of the Cowlitz Tribe. He stated that they are very business oriented. They are relatively sure that there will continue to be opposition toward their project, but continue to move forward. They have hired an architect and stated that there will be additional businesses tied in with their project. They stated that there are federal monies available and will discuss them with us as things progress. We will continue to be in communication as they determine what

their needs are and we can inform them of what services we are able to provide for them.

Chief Mason stated that the next scheduled Board meeting is set to fall on the eve of Thanksgiving and questioned whether the Board would like to reschedule the meeting to Tuesday, November 25th. All Board members felt this would be appropriate. Commissioner Kolke stated he would make sure that Commissioner Babcock is made aware of the change.

LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

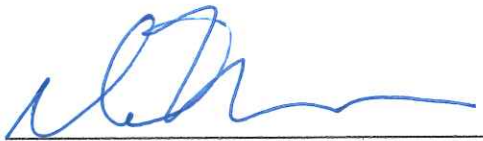
CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recessed to executive session at 3:40 to discuss collective bargaining negotiation strategies. Anticipated length of session to be 30 minutes. No action anticipated. Extended session for 15 minutes at 4:10. Resumed at 4:27. No action taken. Meeting recessed at 4:27 to be continued at 6:00 PM at Station 151 for a joint workshop with Clark County Fire District 6.

No further questions or comments.



Attest, Dennis Mason
Fire Chief

Clark County Fire District 6 / Clark County Fire & Rescue
Joint Meeting
Station 151
November 12, 2014 6 p.m.

Clark County Fire District 6 Members Present: Chairman Lothspeich, Commissioner Bloemke, Commissioner Collins

Clark County Fire & Rescue Members Present: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bartel, Commissioner Town, Commissioner Kolke

Also in attendance for Clark County Fire District 6: Chief Green and Board Secretary Streissguth. For Clark County Fire & Rescue: Chief Mason and Chief Yager

The Boards of Commissioners from the two departments responsible for the joint operation of Station 151 have not met for several years and felt that a round table updated discussion regarding the facility was in order.

Chiefs Green and Mason provided the Boards with an overview of the stations performance over the years.

Call volume and response from the station have increased and staffing by volunteers has improved from 39.82% to 44.33%. A goal of 50% staffing is in place.

59% of the facility and operational expenses is now paid by the county for Sheriff's purposes and the County Fire Marshal since the additional office space has been subleased to them, leaving 41% the fire department's share.

This 41% is currently shared equally 50/50 based upon the call volumes made to each department.

As the number of responses to District 6 has outnumbered those to Clark County Fire & Rescue, it now appears that a 60/40 split would be more equitable and both Boards indicated they would be willing to support this division if it were brought before them at one of their regular meetings.

Both Boards were similarly supportive of continuing to operate Station 151 on a joint basis.

Divisions of staff and personnel responsibilities, fuel and equipment and facility maintenance has been provided by the FFFB subcommittee. The FFFB will continue to do major facility maintenance on an as needed basis.

Clark County Fire & Rescue advised that a public vote on the implementation of a Regional Fire Authority is expected to be held on April 28, 2014.

Clark County Fire District 6 advised it has placed an order for a BullEx live fire trailer which would be made available to other departments. District 6 is expected to order a new fire engine this month and staff will evaluate the engine to be replaced as a potential replacement for the existing 151 engine.

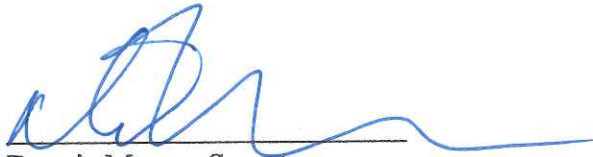
Chiefs Mason and Green will prepare a joint media release of the two department's intent to continue to staff and operate Station 151.

The Boards suggested that an annual joint meeting to discuss Station 151 would be valuable.

No action was taken by the Clark County Fire District 6 Board during the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dennis Mason, Secretary

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
CLARK COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**November 12, 2014
Meeting 3:00 p.m.
911 N 65th Avenue
Ridgefield, WA
887-4609**

AGENDA

1. Flag Salute
2. Call for Late Additions to the AGENDA
3. Consent AGENDA
 - Minutes – October 8, 2014
 - Invoices, Payroll
4. Communications
5. Citizen Comments
6. Standing Committee Reports
 - Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board
 - Clark County Risk Management Group
 - Finance Committee
 - RFA Planning Committee
7. Chief's Report
8. WFCFA Conference Report
9. SWFCA Meeting Report
10. 2015 Revenue Hearing
11. Surplus Assets – Resolution No. 141112-1
12. Old Business
13. Late Additions to the AGENDA
14. Citizen Comments
15. Executive Session
 - Local 3674 Contract Negotiations

Additional Information



CLARK COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE CONSENT AGENDA November 12, 2014

1. Minutes – October 8, 2014 General Meeting
2. Pre-paid Invoices
 - \$ 1,576.04 (FFFB)
 - i. Check Nos. 14141–14147 dated October 17
 - \$ 25,211.02 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 14148–14189 dated October 17
 - \$ 5,324.90 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 14190–14191 dated October 20
 - \$ 11,569.78 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 14192–14211 dated October 30
 - \$ 184,443.70 (CCFR Benefits)
 - i. Check Nos. 5134–5146 dated October 30
 - \$ 62,524.36 (CCFR DRS)
 - i. Check No. 5147 dated October 30
3. Current Invoices
 - \$ 61,412.56 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 14212–14301
 - \$ 2,958.31 (FFFB)
 - i. Check Nos. 14302–14314
4. Approved Commissioner Stipends Paid October 31, 2014

For the Period							
September 16 thru October 15, 2014							
Name	Regular Meeting	Committee Meeting	RFA Mtg	Assn Meeting	Educ	Other	Total
Babcock	2		1				3
Bartel	2						2
Johnson	2	1	1				4
Kolke	1	1	1				3
Town	2	1					3

5. Use Tax
 - 1,649.85 CCFR
6. Payroll
 - October 1 – 31 paid October 31, 2014
 - i. \$ 466,375.37 Gross
 - ii. \$ 320,886.89 ACH net
 - iii. \$ 7,440.59 Payroll Warrant net
 1. Check Nos. 5105– 5133
 - iv. \$ 0.00 Payroll VOIDED
 - v. \$ 62,354.80 941 Tax Deposit (paid November 3, 2014)
7. Financial Report – as of September 30
 - Fund Balance Report
 - Financial Statements

Jon Babcock

James R Johnson
James R Johnson

Jerry Kolke
Jerry Kolke

David Town
David Town

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