



Clark County Fire & Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2015

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

Flag Salute led by Commissioner Babcock.

Present: Chief Dennis Mason, Commissioner Jon Babcock, Larry Bartel, Dave Town, Bob Johnson. Recording Secretary Maureen Groat.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Town to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second Johnson. No discussion. Passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Johnson reported there are two articles of interest in the Reflector this week; one featured the Cowlitz Tribe, the other featured the Port of Ridgefield and their intent to build an industrial building.

Babcock reported a meeting was held at Station 21 for the Hillhurst Neighborhood Association as a courtesy to inform the neighborhood of plans to renovate the old Carolee's building into a drug rehabilitation facility. Babcock stated Steve Stuart headed up the meeting very efficiently and those in attendance left satisfied with the information presented. Chief Mason stated he did not attend the meeting, as he did not feel that it was an issue for the Department to be a part of. The Department has given input as far as renovations to bring the building up to fire code.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

No meeting. Nothing to report. Next meeting will be May 14.

Clark County Risk Management Group

No meeting. Nothing to report.

EMS Council

Nothing to report. Commissioner Bartel did not attend meeting.

Finance Committee

No meeting.

Chief's Report

Chief Mason reported that the final copy of the Standard of Cover document is on the Web-site and encouraged the Board to review it. Chief informed the Board that he will be out of the office next week, attending the State Fire Chief's Conference in Kennewick.

RFA Discussion –

Chief Mason reported that he received a final vote count report broken down by precinct. He stated that there will be a RFA meeting tomorrow to discuss which direction we should go from here. He stated that Clark 2 and Woodland would like to see the vote go out again in the fall. He stated that the cost to run another election would be substantially lower, as it would not be a special election. An advantage to running the issue in the fall would be the addition of getting the information out in the voter's pamphlet, which could alleviate the confusion that he feels was a contributing factor to the issue not passing in some areas. Discussion followed. Babcock requested that all Board members attend the RFA meeting to be held on May 14 to give input in a discussion with Woodland and Clark 2 to determine what went wrong and what should be done next. Chief Mason added he feels that the disparity in voting rights seems to be an issue. He stated this can be revisited. In addition, he added that at this time, it may give Battle Ground the opportunity to jump in. He stated he will have the precinct numbers ready for discussion at the RFA meeting.

Cowlitz Casino

Commissioner Bartel reported that he has been in contact with Steve Horenstien, attorney for the Tribe. He advised that at this time, their thoughts are that they will not be seeking on-site service. He stated he spoke with Phil Harju, Vice Chair to the Cowlitz, who questioned whether we had been contacted yet. Commissioner Bartel reminded him that the Department is ready to meet and discuss their needs and how we can provide service to them.

OLD BUSINESS – BC Contract

Chief Yager reported that he e-mailed a copy of the Battalion Chief contract and his Staff Report to the Board. He stated that Battalion Chief Graham is in the audience to assist with any questions they might have. He stated that the group was for the most part able to come to an agreement according to the direction the Board advised. Chief Yager highlighted the changes agreed upon. He stated the document has been signed and is ready for Board approval. Commissioner Town made a motion to approve the Battalion Chief Contract as presented to the Board. Second Bartel. No discussion. Passed unanimously.

Verizon Lease Agreement

Chief Jackson reported he forwarded a copy of the lease agreement from Verizon with comments and recommendations from Brian Snure to the Board. He stated that the agreement clarifies that there will be four antennae with a chimney façade. He added the plans have been submitted to the City of Ridgefield, for their information. Chief Jackson recommended that we

forward the new proposal with Snure's recommendations to Verizon to notify them where we are. The Board agreed that it would be foolish not to provide Verizon with the recommendations given by Snure. The suggestion is to forward the new proposal and wait to hear from Verizon. Chief Jackson will forward the new proposal and follow up with the Board at a future meeting.

LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

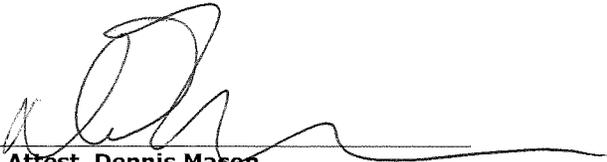
CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved to executive session at 3:40 PM to discuss the final draft of the Battle Ground Proposal. Anticipated length of session to be 30 minutes. Possible action anticipated. Extended session at 4:10 PM for 10 minutes. Meeting reconvened at 4:18. Motion made by Town to authorize Chief Mason to submit the RFP as presented to the Board to the City of Battle Ground under the guidance of Prothman. Second Johnson. No further discussion. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:19 PM.

Complaint against public employee discussion was tabled until the full board is in attendance.



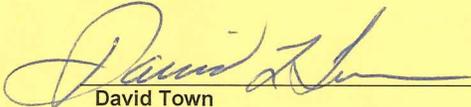
Attest, Dennis Mason
Chief, District Secretary



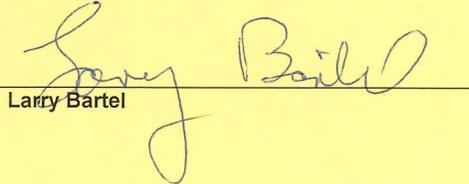
**CLARK COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE
CONSENT AGENDA
May 13, 2015**

1. Minutes – April 22, 2015 General Meeting
2. Pre-paid Invoices
 - \$ 30,947.76 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 15000 – 15017 dated April 27
 - \$ 2,171.47 (FFFB)
 - i. Check Nos. 15018 – 15022 dated April 28
 - \$156,155.09 (CCFR Benefits)
 - i. Check Nos. 5318 – 5329 dated April 29
 - \$ 65,201.03 (CCFR DRS)
 - i. Check No. 5330 dated April 30
3. Current Invoices
 - None
4. Payroll
 - April 1-30 paid April 30
 - i. \$ 499,194.30 Gross
 - ii. \$ 336,077.48 ACH net
 - iii. \$ 11,960.60 Payroll Warrant net
 - 1. Check Nos. 5281 – 5317
 - iv. \$ 0.00 Payroll VOIDED
 - v. \$ 68,295.56 941 Tax Deposit (paid May1)
5. April Use Tax due May 25
 - \$ 270.02 (CCFR)
6. Voided/Destroyed Claims/Payroll Warrants
 - 5262 (lost) replaced by 5323

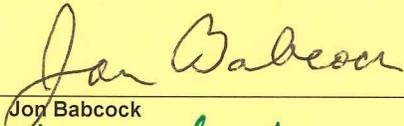
Jerry Kolke



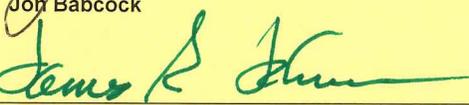
David Town



Larry Bartel



Jon Babcock



James R Johnson