



Clark County Fire & Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2016

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Babcock at 4:00 p.m.

Flag Salute lead by Chair Babcock.

Present: Commissioners Jon Babcock, Larry Bartel, Bob Johnson, Dave Town, Dave Lester, Stan Chunn. Chief John Nohr. Division Chiefs Dan Yager and Mike Jackson. Recording Secretary Kathy Streissguth. Commissioners Ayers and Kolke excused.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Thank you from the Ridgefield School District on DVC Dawdy's quick response to inspect their portables. CCFMO wasn't be able to get there until after the first day of school. Letter from the County Auditor's Office advising the estimated fees for 2017 services (accounts payable and payroll). CCF&R will have no charges except for the possibility of three Clark 2 W2 forms. Commissioner Babcock received an email from Anna Williams advising the Cowlitz Tribal News will be distributing information to the tribe members on a regular basis. Contributions may be submitted to News@cowlitz.org.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Risk Management Group

No meeting. No report.

EMS Council

No meeting. No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

Next meeting Wednesday, September 14. Commissioner Johnson summarized recent work completed at the facility.

Finance Committee

Next meeting October 13. No report.

RFA Committee

No meeting. No report.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioners Town and Babcock attended the Woodland Chamber of Commerce After Hours event. Enjoyable evening networking with the City Council and Port Commissioners.

STAFF REPORTS

Administrative Services

August report prepared by DVC Yager (out sick) summarized by Chief Nohr. If the two open positions left by Dement and Bjur are not filled from the existing rehire list we will use the Public Safety Testing list to select candidates.

Operations

August report prepared by DVC Jackson. After action reviews on recent major fire incidents were coordinated by Captain Rommel. The volunteers have been training with the career crews. Several multi-company operation drills with neighboring agencies. Also continuing with command scenarios for Blue Card certification.

Prevention/PIO

August report prepared by DVC Dawdy.

District Secretary/Chief

August was a busy month for operations with a number of structure and brush fires. The crews did a great minimizing the impact to the operations for a Woodland pet food manufacturer with an industrial fire. Letters of invite have gone out to our public partners for the Strategic Plan project. Internal department invites will go out on Monday. There is a four day commitment. Shared an updated budget timeline, which adjusts for the new Board meeting dates. The Open House event at the Public Safety Complex will be held Saturday, September 24 from noon to 4 p.m. CCFR will send Special rescue 24 with the raft and provide hands only CPR training. Will also provide a water tender and, of course, the popcorn machine. The Clark Fire Marshal's Office will be manning the burn trailer and Clark 6 will provide auto extrication demos. CCSO is the lead agency for the event.

Discussed the water availability at the casino construction site. CPU water will not be available until the end of the month. DVC Dawdy taught a fire watch class to the casino security team last month. Have confirmed with CRESA that water tenders will be dispatched to any call at the construction site. DVC Dawdy performs a combustible load check on a regular basis.

Discussed the need to revise some meeting dates in October and November. The regular meeting on October 27 may be moved to Tuesday, October 25 as most of the Board will be at the WFCA conference that week. The meeting

scheduled on Thanksgiving may move to November 25. Will review schedules and approve any changes at a subsequent meeting.

RFA PLANNING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

A recommendation was made to review the assignment of Board members to the RFA Planning Committee. Only three elected officials are allowed from each agency. With the merger of District 2 they have lost their representation. Commissioner Babcock advised he would like to keep one of the Clark 2 Board members on the Committee. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Bartel to appoint Commissioners Chunn, Babcock and Kolke to represent the District on the RFA Planning Committee with Commissioner Johnson as alternate. Second Commissioner Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Bartel asked that the Board discuss the allocation of representation in the RFA Plan. Advised he received several comments that the previous plan was too heavily weighted to the Woodland area. Discussed options. Expected to be one of many revisions to the Plan to be reviewed and discussed by the Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Babcock requested an update on the shirts and Ipads for the new Commissioners. Advised our IT person was on MOB for a couple weeks and is working on them now. Shirts will be ordered once sizes are known. Commissioner Chunn asked about the dual fire call investigation discussed at the last meeting. Chief Nohr reported he is waiting on the full reports from CRESA.

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER

Commissioner Town expressed his appreciation for the new staff report formats.

LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Attest, John Nohr
Fire Chief/District Secretary