



Clark County Fire & Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2017

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

Flag salute.

Present: Commissioners Jerry Kolke, Jon Babcock, Larry Bartel, Bob Johnson, Ken Ayers, Stan Chunn, Dave Town. Chief John Nohr. DVC Dan Yager, DVC Mike Jackson. Acting Recording Secretary Maureen Groat. Commissioner Dave Lester arrived after start of meeting.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second Commissioner Town. Commissioner Bartel questioned the expense associated with travel and overnight stay for Liz Loomis. Chief Nohr agreed, but noted that Ms. Loomis coordinated her travel with a visit to another agency so the costs would be reduced. Commissioner Chunn stated the expense was included in the signed contract. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

A thank you was received from Columbia River Maritime Association for our marine group's participation in their annual picnic held at Frenchman's Bar. Chief Nohr received a phone call from Kathy Hughes expressing thanks to our crew who assisted her brother-in-law, Pat Pietz. Pat is a previous volunteer with CCFD12 and is very ill and in hospice care. Tevis Laspa contacted Chief Nohr regarding a golf tournament fundraiser for the Ridgefield library to be held on October 1st. Chief Nohr stated he will sponsor a team and has sent out an invitation to members who may be interested. Commissioner Bartel is putting together a team as well. Mark Denney sent a thank you for our assistance with National Night Out in La Center. John Detchan sent a thank you for our hospitality while teaching a class at our facility for La Center PD over a three-day period. Chief Nohr received a donation from two young boys who wanted to donate half of their lemonade stand proceeds to the firefighters. We received \$15.40 for their efforts.

Commissioner Bartel questioned whether they would be registered for the Clark Snure Seminar. Chief Nohr advised the commissioners to contact Kathy if they are interested in attending.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Risk Management Group

Meeting held September 6th. Chief Nohr attended. Budget was discussed; there will be a 4% increase across the board. There is a new coverage for department owned drones. There was discussion regarding Course of Construction insurance, which Chief Nohr felt would be good to look into when the time comes.

EMS Council

No meeting. No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

Meeting held September 13th. Commissioner Johnson attended. Repair of the roof will begin very soon following the Open House/Public Safety Day slated for September 16th.

Chief Nohr stated the draft budget numbers were presented, but did not look correct to those in attendance. He will take up issue with Kathy upon her return next week and report back.

Finance Committee

No meeting. No report.

RFA Committee

No meeting. No report.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Johnson reported he will not be in attendance at the first meeting in October. Commissioner Babcock introduced a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) class being held through CCFD 6 and Vancouver Fire. He suggested this would be a good opportunity for our Department family members. Chief Nohr stated that a CERT program was discussed during the Strategic Planning process and that the goal is to host a class here in 2018. There is a possibility of a FEMA grant to defray a portion of the cost. Commissioner Bartel asked about the announcement to hire Ben Peeler. Chief Nohr stated an offer was made to begin employment with a start date of November 1st contingent upon passing a medical physical, and background checks.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Nohr reported that there was a glitch in the system used to pull data for the statistical reports so he was not able to present all the usual reports given. Chief Jackson expressed a thank you to Ian Fagan for his assistance with the process to bring on three additional members to the Technical Rescue Team. Interviews will take place on Friday, the 15th. It has been a busy wildland season. There have been no issues making sure there has been coverage at home. He has been working closely with ilani as additional spaces are completed. He is finding them great to work with. There is ongoing communication improvement, including a weekly report he has been receiving. A recent fireworks display was cancelled due

to the tribe seeking advice from the Department regarding the dry conditions and fire hazard. The Tribe was willing to pay for the Department to cover the event with a staffed engine. Chief Jackson feels this was a good step for future events. Chief Nohr thanked Chief Jackson for his work with the tribe with the fireworks event. He too, felt this was a good step forward in our relationship building. The station 151 Open House/Public Safety Day will be this Saturday, September 16th. We will have volunteers participating.

Commissioner Bartel commented on the pronunciation of ilani. He stressed A-Lawn-A as the correct pronunciation.

Chief Nohr reported that work has begun on the 2018 budget, taking into consideration increases in revenues from the passage of the lid lift. He reported that crews participated in National Night out in our cities. The wildland fire season has been very busy. Many crews on teams as well as individuals have been out. We received numerous phone calls inquiring about the Eagle Creek fire. Facebook and Twitter were kept up to date to help keep people informed as much as possible. We had a wheat fire close to home last week and a significant brush fire in Woodland. Good work done by our crews on both incidents.

The Department held a two day orientation for new volunteers and interns in August. Several of the new members will be sworn in at a swearing in ceremony immediately following the commissioner meeting at 5:30 this evening. Rick Bannon from the Reflector ran a story on the benefits of residential sprinklers. A very well written article. Over the past four months there have been eighty eight responses to the Resort. Chief Nohr stated this is a manageable number of responses. The opening of the conference center will be somewhere around April. We could see changes in response numbers with this opening.

REVIEW – 550.10.04 Meeting Webcasts Policy

Discussion regarding changes. Chief Nohr will research to determine whether there is an RCW stating that the actual minutes of a meeting become the official record. Will review at next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Bartel explained his revisiting the pronunciation of ilani. He stated he had a long discussion with Chairman Iyall in where he explained the importance of the name chosen and the correct pronunciation of the name. Commissioner Chunn asked if there was a decision made regarding the distribution of a newsletter. Chief Nohr responded that the expense has been put into the preliminary budget. Further discussion of a newsletter will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. The October 26th meeting will take place during the commissioner conference. Chief Nohr will check with Kathy to determine if the meeting is typically rescheduled or if the meeting will be skipped.

LATE ADDITIONS

None.


CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



Attest, John Nohr
Fire Chief/District Secretary

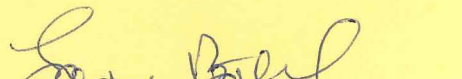


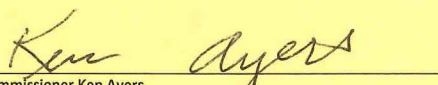
CLARK COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE CONSENT AGENDA September 14, 2017


1. Minutes
 - August 24 General Meeting
2. Pre-paid Invoices
 - \$ 138,222.08 (CCFR Benefits)
 - i. Check Nos. 6008 – 6019
 - \$ 74,430.25 (CCFR DRS & BVFF)
 - i. Check Nos. 6020 – 6021
 - \$ 2,332.86 (FFFB)
 - i. Check Nos. 17870 – 17873
 - \$ 48,747.35 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 17822 – 17869
3. August Use Tax due September 25
 - \$ 33.34 (CCFR)
4. Voided/Destroyed Claims/Payroll Warrants
 - None

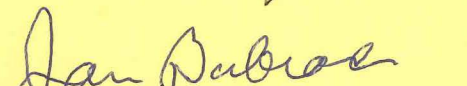

Commissioner Jerry Kolke – Chair

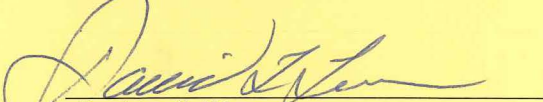

Commissioner – Stanley Chunn – Vice Chair


Commissioner Larry Bartel


Commissioner Ken Ayers


Commissioner James R Johnson


Commissioner Jon Babcock


Commissioner David Town


Commissioner David Lester