



Clark County Fire & Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2019

Present: Commissioners Stan Chunn, Larry Bartel, Bob Johnson, Dave Lester, David Town, Ken Ayers. Chief John Nohr. Division Chiefs Dan Yager, Ben Peeler and Mike Jackson. Recording Secretary Kathy Streissguth.

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

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

Committee appointment – second Commissioner to be added to the Local BVFF Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Nohr shared several communications. Thank you email from Kenny Bjur for the assistance provided by a number of personnel a couple weeks ago to chop the wood he donated for the Woodland Planter's Day BBQ fundraiser. Thank you card from Holly Park Properties for the District's help at the multi-alarm fire at their business property on Hwy 99. Card from Ridgefield United Methodist Church thanking the District for all we do. 2018 Maritime Fire & Safety Association Annual Report.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

BC Graham shared that there have been a lot of call lately and the guys are doing good work.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Risk Management Group

No meeting. No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

Commissioner Johnson summarized the February 13 meeting. The budget is in good shape and facility repairs and maintenance are up to date. Advised that CCSO will be conducting DUI blood draws in the EMS room with approval from the Board. They have their own chair and equipment.

Finance Committee

No meeting. No report.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Town advised he was contacted by a neighbor who is working on legislation regarding the closure of County roads. Following discussion, CCF&R supports the closure of the road leading to the railroad bridge to help reduce the number of railway incidents involving walkers.

STAFF REPORTS

Admin Services

DVC Yager summarized the January Admin Services and Finance reports.

Operations

DVC Peeler summarized the January Operations report. Shared information about flooding in the District impacting access in some areas. Working on the ESO reporting software rollout – anticipating a May 1 implementation date.

Community Risk Reduction

DVC Jackson provided a verbal January Community Risk Reduction Report. Introduced new fire inspector Josh Taylor who stated February 1. Josh is working to implement our fire inspection program. DVC Jackson will be presenting information on the proposed residential sprinkler ordinance before the Ridgefield City Council this evening. The new ordinance will significantly increase the number of inspections needed in the city. Provided a lengthy update on the current projects underway in the three cities.

District Secretary/Chief

Chief Nohr advised he has been appointed to the CRESA Board to represent the Fire Districts. The Board is looking to change the government structure again and move back to using interlocal agreements. The EMS District 2 contract with AMR was renewed for 5 years and will run through 2025. Chief Nohr is also the Fire District representative on the EMSD2 Board. He will be pushing to address the rural versus suburban status of the cities in the District. We will need to address whether AMR is meeting our needs before 2023. Discussed the house burn on Royle Road and the firefighter survival training conducted at the old mortuary in Woodland. The 2018 SAFER grant opened last week. We applied for 3 personnel last year, would like to apply again this year. The government shutdown has delayed the processing of the AFG – our SCBA grant request is still in play. Will work with Finance to see what we are able to afford. Two recent interviews with the Columbian – one was on growth and our ability to respond. The second was regarding the Pacific Hwy closure north of La Center and how it will impact response times. Advised he will miss a few meetings: February 28 for training, April 11 for vacation and May 23 to attend a daughter's graduation.

LATE EDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Commissioner Bartel asked for an update on the new Station 24 site. Chief Nohr advised he has met with the School and the architect. The School District will take responsibility for addressing the dirt issue when we're ready to proceed with construction. Legal is adding language to the contract. Should be finalized by March 1.

Advised we need a second Commissioner to serve on the Local BVFF Board. Commissioner Ayers was appointed.

OTHER

Shared that Firefighter Matt Woodford will MC the awards banquet on March 8.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Due to the need for an executive session the ceremony scheduled immediately after the meeting was moved up. Fire Inspector Josh Taylor was sworn in by Chief Nohr. Josh's daughter Lucy pinned his badge.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

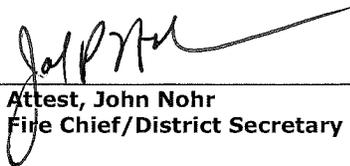
None.

10 minute recess at 4:45 p.m. for refreshments. Meeting resumed at 4:55 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved to executive session at 4:55 p.m. to discuss CBA negotiations with IAFF Local 3674. Anticipated length of session 20 minutes. Extended 15 minutes at 5:15 p.m. Meeting resumed at 5:30 p.m.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.



Attest, John Nohr
Fire Chief/District Secretary