

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 7, 2023 REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT
NO. 2**

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire District No. 2 was held on February 7, 2023, at Station 28, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance, either in person or pursuant to virtual meeting software Go To Meeting were: Commissioners Elwell and Sitterley, Fire Chief Mike Marrs, AC Wayne Metz, AC Ray Desmarais, Local President Matt Ready, and Acting District Secretary Eric Quinn, and several others as reflected on the attached attendance roster.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Commissioner Elwell who led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Agenda Approval. It was moved, seconded and carried 2-0 to approve the agenda as submitted immediately prior to the meeting.

Presentations/Announcements. (1) Presentations: None.

(2) Announcements:

- February 8, 2023 – Bid Opening at 1:00 p.m. at Station 28 for remodel project for Stations 18 and 19. We had five contractors do the mandatory walkthrough. We are hoping to get at least five bids; the Chief will keep the board apprised.
- February 17, 2023 – Legislative Day, hosted by Washington Fire Commissioners and Washington Fire Chiefs. (State Capitol, Columbia Room).
- February 20, 2023 – Closing date for Entry-Level Firefighter Job Position, oral board interviews will begin the second week of March.

Public Comment. None.

Correspondence. The District received a letter of interest from Eric Nelson, with respect to the vacant commissioner position.

Local 1461 Comment. IAFF Local President Matt Ready noted that the emergency vaccine mandate has ended. He spoke with Chief Marrs today and they have discussed a labor-management meeting to be set for next week. He also implored the District to bring Colby Cruz back to work.

Administration Reports. Chief Marrs delivered the Chief's report as follows:

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Operational Update. AC Metz provided the operational update. The recruits will graduate on June 22nd. We are advertising through National Testing Network to those interested in applying for District positions. Applications close on February 20th for the open firefighter position. AC Metz briefly discussed de-escalation training that will be occurring through Dr. Rea.

Fire Prevention Update. AC Desmarais reported on Fire Prevention. We will know by February 27th whether or not there will be changes to the Burien municipal codes pertaining to fire sprinklers. We were dispatched to Evergreen High School yesterday for a fire in a school bathroom. It is suspected that this may have been ignited by some students that may be responsible for another fire at the same school. Chief Marrs and AC Desmarais noted that the Ready Rebound representative was present today if there were any questions.

Facilities. Chief Marrs provided an update on the Station 18 and 19 remodels. Bid opening is tomorrow at 1300 hours.

Equipment. N/A.

Personnel. Chief Marrs provided an update on the ending of the King County vaccine mandate. This is a work in progress; he will keep the board informed.

There are motions under New Business to approve the permanent appointments for BC Joe Kupferling and Captain Troy Harris, who both completed their 12-month probation periods on February 1st.

There is a motion under New Business to approve the contract with Ready Rebound, to be effective March 1st, and to run for a period of three years, with automatic one-year renewal thereafter, unless terminated by either party. Chief Marrs briefly described the program, and Marcus from Ready Rebound provided some insight into how the program works. The role of Ready Rebound is to expedite care for District employees that suffer physical injuries. The program is not designed for mental health injuries. Chief Marrs reminded the Board that the EAP program has not been working, so he said we looked to other sources and found Ready Rebound.

Events. Exciting news. After a two-year hiatus, the District will resume the annual Kids' Day in 2023. Mark your calendars for September 9, 2023.

Consent Agenda. It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the Chief's Report and the meeting minutes of the January 24, 2023 special meeting.

Unfinished Business. None.

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New Business. Motion: Permanent Appointment for Battalion Chief Joe Kupferling.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Elwell seconded, a motion to appoint Joe Kupferling to a permanent Battalion Chief position effective February 1, 2023, as he has completed his twelve-month probationary period. Motion carried, 2-0.

Motion: Permanent Appointment for Captain Troy Harris.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Elwell seconded, a motion to appoint Troy Harris to a permanent Captain position effective February 1, 2023, as he has completed his twelve-month probationary period. Motion carried, 2-0.

Motion: Ready Rebound Contract.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Elwell seconded, a motion to approve and authorize Chief Marris to sign the Ready Rebound Contract, to be effective March 1, 2023 for a term of three years, with automatic one-year renewal thereafter, for a cost of \$13,740 for services in 2023. Motion carried, 2-0.

Executive Session. None.

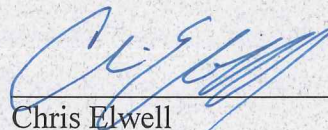
Good of the Order. None.

Adjournment. Pursuant to motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

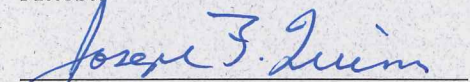
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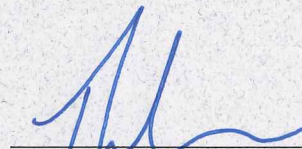
1. the Meeting Notice
2. the Meeting Agenda
3. the Attendance Roster
4. Ready Rebound Contract.

Minutes Approved: Feb, 21, 2023


Chris Elwell
Chairman

Attest:


Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary


Ted Sitterley
Commissioner

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