MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 4, 2020 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 remotely on August 4, 2020, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance, pursuant to virtual meeting software Go To Meeting were: Commissioners Elwell and Sitterley. Commissioner Peden was excused but joined the meeting later at 5:05 p.m. Also attending virtually were: Chief Mike Marrs, Assistant Chief Pettigrew, and District Secretary Joseph Quinn.

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 to excuse Commissioner Peden if he cannot make it. It was moved, seconded and carried 3-0 to approve the agenda as submitted immediately prior to the meeting.

Presentations/Announcements. (1) Presentations: None.

(2) Announcements: None...

Correspondence. None.

Public Comment. None.

Local 1461 Comment. None.

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

<u>Facilities.</u> Chief Marrs discussed the contaminated fuel. Although the distributor called and said the tank at Station 18 was pumped and cleaned, that turned out to be incorrect. More contamination therefore occurred. When the costs of this contamination are all clear, we will meet with Attorneys Quinn and deal with this as it is the supplier's problem to fix. Puget Sound RFA said this also happened to them one time.

Equipment. N/A.

<u>Personnel.</u> Chief Marrs said that Wayne Metz' six-month probationary period is up so there is a motion under New Business for his permanent appointment as a Captain. With his military logistics background, he is doing great in his position. He is really "on top" of the PPE situation. Wayne is on vacation leave right now. He has proven to be a good leader as well and keeps all informed by email.

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Chief Marrs discussed the Chaplain program, which used to be more active. He said that he met a young woman through his swimming hobby, and recently learned that she had graduated from seminary. She is interested in possibly serving as a chaplain and has done ridealongs already. Chief Marrs would like to re-establish the program as a volunteer firefighter/chaplain program, awarding volunteer points for responses. Chief Marrs and his staff are checking to see what others do in their chaplain programs. He discussed the elements of the different potential programs of stipends and points. He also mentioned Pat Ellis, who is involved in the Zone 3 Chaplaincy program. Attorney Quinn also offered to send some chaplaincy materials such as professional service contracts and MOUs to Chief Marrs.

Events. Chief Marrs updated the board on Covid-19 information. Hospitalizations have been increasing again. There have been 7 new deaths in the jurisdiction. He said Dr. Jack Duchin—the Director of Public Health for King County—recently spoke at a meeting he attended. He said that the EMS system has been doing great work. He noted that working conditions have been very safe. On a more sober note, he said this is the new normal and we can expect it to remain this way for 12-18 months. King County is nowhere near where it needs to be with respect to the number of new cases. The doctor said there is no national plan for distribution of a vaccine yet. He also said the public is less vigilant than they were in March or April.

Commissioner Elwell mentioned the experience of Sound Transit on their construction projects. There have been 28 confirmed positive tests but no secondary infections. Since the "reopening" cases have noticeably increased. As of June they had only 3 cases and now we have 28. It was mentioned that REI employees will all be working remotely through December of 2021.

Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda, all of which was approved 3-0, upon a motion made by Commissioner Sitterley and seconded by Commissioner Peden, consisted of the Chief's Report and the minutes of the meeting of July 21.

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. Motion: Permanent Assignment to Captain for Wayne Metz.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, to assign Wayne Metz to a permanent Captain position effective August 1, 2020, upon the completion of his six-month probation period. Motion carried, 3-0/

Executive Session. None.

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Adjournment. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. At 5:32 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Attachments. Attached to these Minutes are copies of:

- 1. the Meeting Notice
- 2. the Meeting Agenda
- 3. the Attendance Roster

Minutes Approved: Sept 1, 2020.

Attest.

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

Chris Elwell Chairman

Ted Sitterley Commissioner

Rudy Peden Commissioner