MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire District No. 2 was held remotely on September 22, 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, Sitterley, and Peden. Also attending virtually were: Chief Mike Marrs, Assistant Chief Pettigrew, Captain Wayne Metz and Acting District Secretary Eric Quinn. Attorney David Luxenberg participated in the executive session.

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 3-0 to approve the agenda as submitted immediately prior to the meeting.

Executive Session. The Board adjourned into an executive session at 5:03 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations, which is outside the scope of the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) and to discuss potential litigation with counsel present, which is allowed in executive session, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The session concluded at 5:25 and the Board re-convened in open session at that time.

Presentations/Announcements. (1) Presentations: None.

(2) Announcements: The Snure Seminar Webinar is October 21st, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Correspondence. The Board discussed the letter from Mercer Island Law Group regarding David Hollingsworth's claim.

Public Comment. None.

Local 1461 Comment. None.

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

<u>Facilities.</u> Chief Marrs said two AC compressors failed at Station 28, but they have been replaced and now everything is functioning properly.

Equipment. There is a motion under New Business to authorize purchase of new logo sweatshirts, from a vendor on the vendor list. The Board discussed cost-sharing with North Highline on this purchase. The District is still working on the new patches.

The Board discussed branding the fire engines with the logo of the respective agencies (Burien Fire and North Highline).

<u>Personnel.</u> Chief Marrs said there is a tentative agreement on a new District drug policy. There is a motion under New Business to ratify the new policy.

He said Milton Guerrero's daughter passed away on September 14th, when she was involved in a head-on collision. The District sent flowers and Chief Marrs believed that the Union did too. Chief Marrs will be reaching out to Milton. Christina Parker's brother passed away September 18th so she is going down to Texas for the funeral.

Chief Marrs updated the Board on the B/C testing process, and said it is moving forward. All three commissioners should have received packets to review and grade. Three candidates dropped out, leaving three to test.

<u>Events.</u> In Chief Marrs' Covid-19 update, he said there has been one positive case in the district since last report. Five personnel were placed in quarantine, due to contact with the responder in a contract negotiation meeting. Testing site discussions for a Burien site fell through, so the nearest testing site will be in Tukwila.

Chief Marrs said the first contact from the Department of Retirement Systems since January occurred recently. Essentially, DRS just wanted to confirm what the District wanted the administrative law judge to consider in ruling on the District's motion for summary judgment.

The State Auditor is conducting the NHFD audit of 2019 on site now. Chief Marrs thanked Ray, Trina, and Christina for assistance in the audit. Even though this is a NHFD audit, the auditor is reviewing documentation from King 2 as this is the first year of the contractual consolidation.

Chief Marrs said the first collective bargaining session about two weeks ago was very positive. The list of items to be discussed is being assembled.

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 Voucher Approval for September 2020 as follows: Expense Fund: No. E20-726 through No. E20-810, in the amount of \$1,169,735.78 due for payment September 30, 2020.

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. 1. Motion: Purchase of New Logo Sweatshirts from Kaye Smith.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to approve and authorize Chief Marrs to purchase 240 Responder Work Shirt/Sweatshirts to be

purchased from Kaye Smith for a total price not to exceed \$14,425.13. Motion carried, 3-0.

2. Motion: Ratify Changes to Drug Testing Policy.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to ratify the changes to the drug testing policy as presented by Attorney David Luxenberg, and as negotiated during PERC mediation. Motion carried, 3-0.

Chief Marrs then called upon Captain Wayne Metz for an update on the district's Covid-19 response and other projects. Captain Metz said the two UV light boxes have arrived and that the district is finalizing its contract with National Testing Network. Chief Marrs said the district is doing well with PPE and still has about 10,000 N-95 masks.

Good of the Order. None.

Adjournment. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. At 5:54 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
- 4. the letter from Mercer Island Law Group
- 5. information from Kaye Smith.

Minutes Approved: Oct 6, 2020.

Attest:

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

Chris Elwell

Chairman

Ted Sitterley

Commissioner

Rudy Peden

Commissioner