## MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 6, 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 October 6, 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: Assistant Chief Pettigrew, and Acting District Secretary Eric 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. Commissioner Sitterley moved to excuse Chief Marrs from attendance at the meeting. Commissioner Peden seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

**Agenda Approval.** It was moved, seconded and carried 3-0 to approve the agenda as submitted immediately prior to the meeting.

Presentations/Announcements. (1) Presentations: Chief Pettigrew presented the year-to-date call summary. Of the just over 8,000 calls year to date, 75% are for EMS. The Chief commended all responders for their safe activities in avoiding positive diagnoses of Covid-19. Chief Pettigrew had a positive diagnosis himself, but it resolved well. He is feeling well. The Board wished him well. Commissioner Elwell had a question about "high risk facilities" and what that meant. The Chief indicated that primarily refers to nursing homes and convalescent facilities. If there is a known Covid patient at a particular location, the house will get "flagged" so the responding crews are aware.

(2) Announcements: WFCA Fall Webinar Series (virtual) is from 9:00 a.m. to noon on the following dates: October 19, How to Implement a Peer Support Program; October 23, Hot Button Legal Issues in 2020 and Beyond; October 26, PTSD, its impact on Firefighters & Resilient Ways of Coping.

October 21 – Snure Seminar (Webinar) for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual WFCA preconference laws update. 6:00 p.m to 9:00 p.m.

Chief Pettigrew also announced the ban on in-person meetings has been continued through November 9, 2020 in King County.

Correspondence. None.

Public Comment. None.

Local 1461 Comment. None.

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

<u>Facilities.</u> Chief Pettigrew said the AC Compressor at Station 28 has been replaced and is running well.

**Equipment.** The District met with the Kaye Smith representative, the company that was chosen for re-branding, i.e. changing of patches, uniform and clothing.

<u>Personnel.</u> Captain Wayne Metz discussed National Testing. The District and National Testing "went live" on October 1, 2020. The District has already received many applications for firefighter positions. The jobs are being advertised on social media by Shauna Sheppard. We will be continuing with the National Testing listing until the end of October. Captain Metz summarized the timeline, once the application process with National Testing closes. He praised the responsiveness of National Testing. Commissioner Elwell asked about diversity in the applicant pool. He encouraged the District to publish job announcements in media used extensively by people of color. According to Captain Metz, approximately 40% of the applicant pool of National Testing is made up of females and/or minorities.

There are two new recruits at the Academy now

Chief Pettigrew thanked the Board for reviewing the battalion chief applicant proposals. Later in the meeting, there will be a motion to adopt the promotional list, which will be attached to these minutes. All examinees were pleased with the testing process.

Events. Covid-19 update: all 5 District employees who were quarantined are back at work and none tested positive. The Chief updated the Board on the Tukwila testing site. A Burien site was extensively discussed but the site is in Tukwila. Testing started there today, October 6, 2020. The District is providing one firefighter on overtime, six days per week, at that testing site.

Commissioner Sitterley, Chief Marrs and Chief Pettigrew have been meeting with Local 1461 representatives.

The state auditor assigned to the North Highline Fire District audit has completed the onsite work.

Chief Pettigrew discussed this year's Christmas Outreach plans.

An invoice was omitted from the September voucher approval (US Bank Master Card invoice) but is listed with the Consent Agenda this time.

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Executive Session. None.

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 regular meeting of September 1, 2020, the minutes of the special meeting of September 22, 2020, and Voucher Approval: <a href="Expense Fund: No. E20-811">Expense Fund: No. E20-811</a> in the amount of \$4,926.95 due for payment on October 7, 2020.

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. 1. Motion: 2020 Battalion Chief Promotional List.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to approve the Battalion Chief Promotional List and authorize Chairman Elwell to execute the 2020 Battalion Chief Promotional List for the period of November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2022, as submitted. Motion carried, 3-0...

Good of the Order. Commissioner Elwell asked Chief Pettigrew about the BC testing process. He asked if there was any opportunity for follow-up on the presentations, and whether some value might be derived from those presentations for consideration by the District. Chief Pettigrew said that may be a good idea. Chair Elwell noted that a lot of time and energy went into the presentations and he feels that they could be used in a manner that makes them feel less like an assignment.

**Adjournment.** It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. At 5:35 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 WFCA News about meetings
- 5. the call summary reports
- 6. the BC Promotional list
- 7. WFCA announcement of webinars.

Minutes Approved: Vov 3, 2020.

Chris Elwel Chairman

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Attest:

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

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Commissioner

Rudy Peden

Commissioner