MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 2, 2016 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 at the new Station 28 on February 2, 2016, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance were: Commissioners Elwell and Sitterley, Chief Marrs and District Secretary Joseph Quinn. Others in attendance are as shown on the Attendance Roster, attached. A motion was made, seconded, and approved 2-0 to excuse Commissioner Hobbick from the meeting.

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

Presentations/Announcements. The following presentations were made:

Commissioner Julie Hiatt of North Highline Fire District presented a written invitation from her board, inviting District 2 to hold a joint awards banquet with their district personnel in December 2016. The Chairman said this board will get back to them very soon, and thanked Commissioner Hiatt for the invitation.

Andrew Face of Martin Nelson & Company, bond underwriters, presented a Bond Financing Underwriter's Agreement and explained his proposal for possible refinancing of bonds that are currently outstanding. Interest rates have been falling lately so the time might be right; however, the rates have been increasingly volatile as well so that may change quickly. Martin Nelson & Co. would not be acting as financial advisor to the district, but only as the bond underwriter. Refinancing at the current lower rates could save almost one million dollars as compared to the total debt service cost under the existing interest rates on the outstanding bonds, without refinancing. The bonds were sold with a standard 10-year call feature so they are not callable until 2019, but an escrow could be used. Current rates are about 2.2% lower than in 2009 when the bonds were issued. The percentage savings is estimated at about 6.8% which exceeds the "superior" 5% level. The board may decide to go forward at the February 16th meeting, but did want to hear also from Jim Nelson, of D.A. Davidson and Company. Jim Nelson was involved with the 2009 issue when he worked at Martin Nelson & Co.

Correspondence. The 2014 State Auditor Reports were presented in final form. Chairman Elwell reiterated that the district was well pleased with this SAO audit team, which was much more helpful than the past audit team.

The King County Department of Elections presented an itemized cost apportionment for the November election. Our cost was just under \$20,000 but with the cost of the Local Voters Pamphlet it was about \$21,000.

The South King County Fire Training Consortium's 2015 Annual Report was presented. The board asked if anyone from the Consortium was going to present anything to this board this year and Chief Marrs said that could be arranged if needed.

Public Comment. Former Commissioner of District 2, Galen Willis, presented a proposal that he assist the district with a history project, using photographs and placing displays in the new stations to recognize the history of the oldest fire district existing in King County. The Board and Chief said there will be an Open House at the new Station 28 in the Spring, and that the Board or Chief will respond to Commissioner Willis' request.

Local 1461 Comments. Jim Reed said that over many years North Highline Fire and Burien Fire have become closer and closer. He said the Local at North Highline had dissolved and the members had joined with Burien Fire personnel in Local 1461. The Local would certainly agree that the joint Awards Banquet suggested by Commissioner Hiatt is a good idea.

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

Facilities. Chief Marrs updated the board on Station 28, saying that a meeting was held with Bayley Construction and SQI, their roofing subcontractor. The possible fix that was proposed may be acceptable and Carlisle would approve it, as consistent with the roofing warranty. Roof leaks also continue to be addressed and some have been satisfactorily located and some not. The sewer line clogging has recurred in the kitchen's six-inch drain and had to be "roto-rootered" again, Chief Marrs said. This may cost about \$3,000 to repair.

Chief Marrs said a Phase I environmental assessment is ongoing at the old station in preparation for surplusing and selling that station. The District is ready to start marketing the old station, so an executive session is slated for later to discuss a sale and/or lease of that station.

Equipment. N/A.

<u>Personnel.</u> Three new hires completed one year of probation on January 22, 2016 so there are suggested motions on the agenda under New Business, to assign them to permanent positions. They are FF Jon Crump, FF

Ruslan Gryniv, and FF Tim Lehner. Chief Marrs congratulated these three new firefighters.

Events. See above under Presentations.

Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda, all of which was approved unanimously upon a motion by Commissioner Sitterley, seconded by Commissioner Elwell, consisted of: (1) The Chief's Report and (2) Approval of regular meeting minutes of January 19, 2016 and (3) ratification of Voucher Approval for January (which had already been approved by board members recently signing vouchers since the January 19th meeting) as follows: (a) Expense Fund - *No. E16-001 through No. E16-078* in the amount of \$707,392.05 due for payment January 29, 2016 and (b) Construction Fund - *No. C16-001 through No. C16-006* in the amount of \$16,442.02 due for payment January 29, 2016.

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. 1. Motion: Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Elwell seconded, a motion to assign Firefighter Jonathan Crump to a permanent firefighter position, upon his completion of the one-year probation period, effective January 22, 2016. Motion carried, 2-0.

- 2. <u>Motion:</u> Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Elwell seconded, a motion to assign Firefighter Ruslan Gryniv to a permanent firefighter position, upon his completion of the one-year probation period, effective January 22, 2016. Motion carried, 2-0.
- 3. <u>Motion:</u> Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Elwell seconded, a motion to assign Firefighter Timothy Lehner to a permanent firefighter position, upon his completion of the one-year probation period, effective January 22, 2016. Motion carried, 2-0.

Good of the Order. Commissioner Elwell thanked everyone who attended the Installation Banquet of the King County Fire Commissioners Association and the King County Chiefs Association. It will be held there at the Rainier Golf and Country Club again in 2017 and 2018.

Executive Session: The Board held an executive session that commenced at 6:37 p.m. and ended at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of this session was to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause the likelihood of increased price, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) and also to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease

when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of decreased price, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c).

Adjournment. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 2-0. At 7:33 p.m., after the Board reviewed and approved vouchers or papers, 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. State Auditor Reports
- 5. Department of Elections letter
- 6. South King County Fire Training Annual Report.
- 7. Martin Nelson & Co. presentation materials.

Minutes Approved: February 16, 2016.

Chris Elwell

Chairman

Gary Hobbick Commissioner

Ted Sitterley Commissioner

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

Attest: