## MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2, 2018 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 Headquarters Station 28 on October 2, 2018, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance were: Commissioners Elwell, Peden and Sitterley, Chief Mike Marrs and Acting District Secretary Eric Quinn. Others in attendance are as shown on the Attendance Roster, attached.

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Commissioner Elwell who led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

## Presentations/Announcements.

(1) Announcements:

- (a) October 10 KCFCA General Membership Meeting, Speaker Anne Marvin/Health Care Manager for WFCA, at Station 28.
- (b) October 25-27 WFCA 70th Annual Conference in Yakima with Snure Seminar on Wednesday, October 24th.
- (2) Presentations: Commissioner Sitterley reported that he is progressing well in his recovery from an orthopedic injury. Chief Marrs handed out packets for the upcoming WFCA conference and a preliminary levy worksheet. It appears the levy rate for 2019 collections will be compressed to \$1.35567 per thousand of assessed valuation. Chief Marrs raised concerns about rate compression and how that affects district operations over time. Chairman Elwell wondered whether it would be feasible to begin discussing the benefit charge, stating that diversified funding options could be considered. Chief Marrs said he had observed some risks in altering funding mechanisms. He said that confidence of the community is the key.

Correspondence, None.

Public Comment. None.

Local 1461 Comment. None.

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

Facilities. N/A

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## Equipment. N/A

<u>Personnel.</u> Chief Marrs reported that we have only received 83 applications for employment. Commissioner Peden said that is quite low. Commissioner Elwell asked how long the application period would be held open. Chief Marrs said the deadline may be extended somewhat. He said there are some good applicants.

Today, October 2nd, was the practical examination for the Captains assessment center at the training consortium. Results should be posted by Thursday, October 4th.

Chief Marrs discussed the Salary Savings Program. No one applied, although some interest was expressed. Chairman Elwell asked what the process was for determining eligibility, which Chief Marrs discussed. He felt the opportunity to take advantage of this benefit was well publicized.

<u>Events.</u> The Chief updated the board on review of the North Highline agreement and made a few comments. Commissioner Sitterley asked what percentage numbers North Highline might suggest, but that is not known yet.

Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda, all of which was approved 3-0, upon a motion made by Commissioner Sitterley and seconded by Commissioner Elwell, consisted of the Chief's Report and the meeting minutes of September 18th and 28th, 2018.

**Unfinished Business.** Chief Marrs said the district has received many responses to our public records requests of DRS. Most are tangentially related to our issues in the DRS audit. The district has heard nothing from DRS with respect to the audit. Brief discussion ensued with respect to claiming "manifest injustice".

New Business. None.

**Executive Session.** The Board convened an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) at 5:45 p.m. to review the performance of a public employee. Chair Elwell indicated the Board would need 30 minutes. The Board extended the session by five minutes, and then re-convened in open session at 6:20 p.m. After re-convening, the Board made the following motion:

Motion: Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal Compensation

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to authorize Chief Marrs to increase the base compensation of the position of Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal by 5%, effective October 1, 2018. Motion carried, 3-0.

Good of the Order. Commissioner Peden mentioned CARES programs and all commissioners voiced support for such programs. Frequent 911 callers were discussed.

**Adjournment.** It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. At 6:25 p.m., after the Board reviewed and approved any necessary papers and/or vouchers, 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: <u>/0/\_\_23</u>, 2018.

Attest:

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

Chris Elwell Chairman

Ted Sitterley Commissioner

Rudy Peden Commissioner