MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 21, 2017 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 November 21, 2017, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance were: Commissioners Elwell, Hobbick, and Sitterley, Chief Mike Marrs and District Secretary Joseph Quinn. Others in attendance are as shown on the Attendance Roster, attached.

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.

Public Hearing. At 5:05 p.m. Commissioner Elwell called to order the public hearing required by RCW 84.55.120 on the budget and any tax increases and revenue projections for 2018. Chairman Elwell called for public testimony on the budget and the subject matter of the public hearing but no one wished to testify. Chief Marrs discussed some budget details. He discussed the successful lid lift election and then the 6% limit factor, also approved by voters last year. That concluded the public hearing and the Chairman declared the public hearing closed. The Chief noted that there are three motions under New Business tonight, now that the public hearing on budget and taxes has been held.

Presentations/Announcements.

- (1) Announcements:
 - (a) December 6 Burien Tree Lighting Ceremony
- (b) December 8 Meeting with LEOFF 2, Active and Retired Members regarding DRS Audit Corrections
 - (c) December 21 Christmas Outreach Delivery
- (2) Presentations. None.

Correspondence. None.

Public Comment. None.

Local 1461 Comment. None.

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

Facilities. N/A

Equipment. N/A.

<u>Personnel.</u> Chief Marrs said the Local voted not to ratify the new union contract that was tentatively agreed to by the bargaining teams of both labor and management. Although disappointed, the Chief said another meeting would be scheduled to see what the issues are that prevented ratification. This may affect the budget since there was an assumption about the applicability of the PPO 100 plan. This also affects the 4th Battalion Chief position.

There will be a meeting for all staff and retirees, to present the DRS audit findings, on December 8th.

The Chief discussed the budget for 2018 and cash carryover position for early 2018. He said we will be close to deficit spending again, as cash carryover may be a bit short, given needed expenditures. By the end of 2017 there should be a \$2.3 million cash carry over. Careful spending will be needed between now and April 2018.

Legal counsel Joe Quinn submitted his annual report of hours worked during the first ten months of 2017 and a recommended contract for next year, basically staying with the same provisions (except for a \$15 increase in the hourly rate of Eric Quinn). Mr. Quinn stated he would submit such a legal services contract for consideration at the next board meeting.

Events. See above under Announcements.

Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda, all of which was approved 3-0, upon a motion made by Commissioner Sitterley and seconded by Commissioner Hobbick, consisted of the Chief's Report, the regular meeting minutes of the October 17 and November 7 meetings, and the voucher approval for November, as follows: Expense Fund: *No. E17-667 through No. E17-742*, in the amount of \$753,299.77, due for payment November 30, 2017.

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. 1. Motion: Resolution 2017-02 Adopting 2018 Budget.

Commissioner Sitterley moved and Commissioner Hobbick seconded, a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2017-02 adopting the 2018 budget, based on preliminary numbers received from the county, subject to adjustment upon receipt of final numbers from the county. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Motion: Resolution 2017-03 Regarding the Real Property Tax.

Commissioner Sitterley moved and Commissioner Hobbick seconded, a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2017-03 regarding the real property tax based on assessed valuation of real properties. Motion carried, 3-0.

3. Motion: 2018 Property Tax Levy Request

Commissioner Sitterley moved and Commissioner Hobbick seconded, a motion to authorize Chairman Elwell to sign the Levy Request worksheet for the 2018 tax year. Motion carried, 3-0.

Good of the Order. Commissioner Hobbick said he was hoping the union membership would be here for the meeting. Commissioner Elwell said the King County Fire Commissioners Association meeting included a legislative roundtable where the various associations came with a unified legislative agenda for the coming session. He also said Jim Lux, the WFCA Health Care Director, is retiring at the end of the year. He commended Jim on his fine work over the years.

Executive Session. None.

Adjournment. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. At 5:57 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
- 4. the Operating Budget and related papers
- 5. the public hearing agenda and levy worksheet
- 6. B-town blog re: annual tree lighting.

Minutes Approved: Dec 5, 2017.

Chris Elwell Chairman

Gary Hobbiek Commissioner

Attest:

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

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