

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 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 Station 29 on September 1, 2015, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance were: Commissioners Elwell, Hobbick and Sitterley, Chief 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 5:08 p.m. by Chairman Elwell, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

**Presentations/Announcements.** The following event dates were announced:

1. September 12 - Kids' Day at Station 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
2. September 17 - WFCA Healthcare Workshop from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in Lynnwood
3. September 21-22 - NAEFO Conference in Las Vegas
4. October 22-24 - WFCA Conference at the Tulalip Resort in Marysville.

**Correspondence.** Chief Marrs reviewed the thank you letter from Central Pierce Fire & Rescue for the efforts of Lt. Will Spruill, who assisted them as incident commander on their recent Sunrise Fire.

**Public Comment.** None.

**Local 1461 Comments.** None.

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

**Facilities.** The Chief updated the Board on station projects, stating that Bayley Construction started work last Monday on fixing or replacing the precast at the new Station 28. They did not inform us as to their plan to commence work but it was a pleasant surprise, as Bayley has not signed the settlement agreement yet. The east wall and about half of the south side have been removed and shored. Demolition has gone very quickly. They are removing the "belly band" very rapidly. OAC and the City of Burien inspectors have been to the site. Their focus is on making sure the warranty is available and "warrantability" is assured. The District has signed the agreement but Bayley

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has not signed it yet, as far as we know. Commissioner Sitterley asked the Chief if the color of the grout is acceptable and the response was affirmative. The Chief indicated he is pleased thus far. The Board asked about whether efforts were made to get the word out to the public that the repair work has now begun; Chief Marrs discussed the outreach efforts. The value of the repair work was discussed. Apparently the permit cost \$10,000 so Burien valued the work at about \$1 million.

**Equipment.** N/A.

**Personnel.** The Chief updated the Board on state mobilization to Chelan and related wildland fires. Will Spruill and his wife were in attendance, so the Chief asked him to report in detail what he has been doing on such fires during the month of August. The Board and particularly Commissioner Hobbick expressed their gratitude or appreciation for the work Will and some other firefighters (including in particular Joe Kupferling) have done in this recent difficult time for the history of the fire service in Washington, including record numbers of acres burned and even deaths and injuries in our state. The Chief praised the administrative staff as well and particularly Doug Luedeman and Colleen Nash for their support efforts. He said the district will be made almost 100% whole for all the efforts and mobilizations; he discussed the reimbursement rates for apparatus and for personnel. The Chief discussed with the board the advantages to the fire department to have our personnel involved with out of district mobilizations and mutual aid due to the experience gained. It is in everyone's best interest to have as many personnel as possible training and obtaining the red cards for wildland firefighting. Some discussion ensued about doing red card training in house. The Chief and Will Spruill related some concerns, however, about state officials asking for structural firefighting equipment and then dealing instead with wildland methods or wildland interface problems, which are quite different from structural firefighting, especially with regard to apparatus, protective equipment and methods. Various questions were asked about exploring the options for equipment or apparatus that Burien Fire might need when faced with these non-structural firefighting events.

Chief Marrs discussed information about FD Cares--a national social services program-- and related software. He recently met with our state legislative representative, a Kent RFA officer and Kamuron Gurol (the Burien City Manager) about this program. The City of Burien may have money available for this. It involves a new way of providing EMS service to the community and is particularly effective with frequent users of the 911 system. These lower acuity calls may be dealt with at much lower cost than is currently done and they represent a significant percentage of the call volume. These programs will definitely be explored further, the Chief said.

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**Events.** See above. Also, the Chief discussed the information thus far available on assessed values for 2016 property tax collections. Some districts have seen good overall increases, such as Vashon Island at 7%. The Des Moines area increase is about 5%. District 2 has not been revalued lately so we may not see a significant increase at all. Mr. Quinn asked if the districts "highest lawful levy" has returned to the levels of 2008-2009 and the answer appears to be that it has not. The question whether the latest Burien annexation area affected the calculation of the highest lawful levy was left unanswered. The Chief said he would study that.

The Chief congratulated Commissioner Sitterley on his birthday, which will be September 6, 2015. He also noted that the King County Director of Elections has scheduled our lid lift election for the general election on November 3, 2015 (see attached correspondence).

**Consent Agenda.** The Consent Agenda, all of which was approved unanimously upon a motion by Commissioner Hobbick, seconded by Commissioner Sitterley, consisted of: (1) The Chief's Report and (2) Approval of meeting minutes, i.e. the special meeting minutes of August 6, 2015.

**Unfinished Business.** None.

**New Business.** None.

**Executive Session.** The Board adjourned into executive session, which lasted from 6:53 p.m. until 7:05 p.m. to discuss and review the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g).

**Good of the Order.** None.

**Adjournment.** It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. At 7:07 p.m., after the Board reviewed and approved vouchers and papers, the meeting was adjourned.

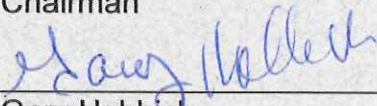
**Attachments.** Attached to these Minutes are copies of:

1. the Meeting Notice
2. the Meeting Agenda
3. the Attendance Roster
4. CPMR Thank you letter
5. Director of Elections order
6. Kids Day flyer.

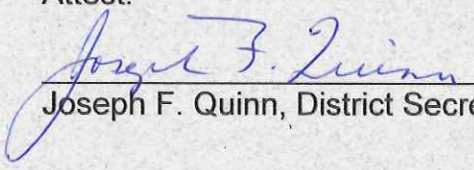
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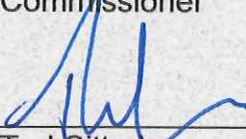
Minutes Approved: Sept 22, 2015.

  
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Chris Elwell  
Chairman

  
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Gary Hobbick  
Commissioner

Attest:

  
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Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

  
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Ted Sitterley  
Commissioner

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