

Board of Commissioners Meeting

July 23, 2008

Chairperson Cameron called a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 5:30 p.m. on July 23, 2008, at 701 Vine Street in the conference room. The following were present:

Commissioner Merritt
Commissioner Bergquist
Asst. Chief Headley

Commissioner Olson
Chief LaFave
District Secretary Bouchard

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A motion was made by Commissioner Merritt to approve the July 9, 2008, Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Administration of Oath:

None

Awards & Recognition:

Chief LaFave noted that word has spread among firefighters that the strike teams from Clark and Cowlitz are the two strike teams they want to have. Good job!

Public Comment:

None

Risk Management:

None

Verbal Reports and/or Discussions

Hose Testing (Staff Report 7-1-002): In the past, on-duty crews and volunteer stations have done the hose testing. With the hose testing being done this way there has never been an accurate account for what hose we have on hand and no numbering system in place to track the hose. If we have one company come and do the hose testing one time, they will test the hose, number it, and build a database that is current and accurate. Also by doing this we will be able to track what hose is being destroyed due to failure and set up a replacement plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the hose testing bid from National Hose Testing for \$4,410.00 plus tax. Commissioner Merritt seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Written Reports and/or Correspondence:

Revenue & Expenses; June, 2008: Information for revenue and expenses for June, 2008, was provided to the Board in their packets. Questions from the Board were answered by Staff.

Calls Report; June, 2008: Information for calls for June, 2008, was provided to the Board in their packets. The numbers for May and June appear to be incorrect; Staff will research this.

Action Items:

Replace Dayroom Flooring (Staff Report 7-1-001): The day room floor currently has carpet that is worn out and being held together with duct tape. This proposal is to replace the carpet in all areas except the television area with tile that will withstand the wear that occurs in these areas, and replace the carpet in the TV area with new carpet that will go with the new tile. The goal is to have this done prior to the open house and tours for fire prevention week in October.

Alternatives:

1. Purchase from Greg Rae Interiors.
2. Purchase from McDonalds floors
3. Do not replace flooring at this time.

Recommendation:

Purchase from Greg Rae Interiors.

A motion was made by Commissioner Merritt to approve Staff's recommendation of alternative #1. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. Further discussion. Motion carried.

Interlocal Agreement for Part-Time Employees: Chief LaFave presented an interlocal agreement for the provision of part-time employees between IAFF Local 3828, C2FR, and IAFF Local 4447 (District #5). After Board discussion, it was determined this agreement is really between the two locals and does not require Board action.

Tabled for Future Meetings:

- New POG: Out of District Responses
- Email Issues/Phone Issues
- New POG: #4008 – Emergency Vehicle Driving

Chief's Report:

- On August 6th, at 10:00 a.m., there will be a seminar with King County here to discuss a tiered EMS response.
- We were finally paid on the Harris Fire (California fire last Oct/Nov); we may have to repay approximately \$9,000 as they paid more than invoiced.

Payroll:

A motion was made by Commissioner Merritt to approve the July 18, 2008, payroll totaling \$93,467.28 for warrant numbers 27221 through 27245. Commissioner Bergquist seconded the

motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Vouchers:

A motion was made by Commissioner Olson to approve vouchers totaling \$84,069.48 for warrant numbers 27246 through 27291 dated July 25, 2008. Commissioner Merritt seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Announcements:

- Reminder of the July 29th joint workshop with the Longview City Council.
- Commissioner Merritt reported there is a handbook for new Commissioners from Brian Snure that was made available at the WFCA conference in October.
- Fire Service Leadership Forum last week; still discussing definition of a volunteer to determine who has access to disability and pension benefits.
- At the September meeting will be a roll-out of legislative interests for the coming season.
- Commissioner Merritt asked to be on the technical advisory committee for the IT section. They are looking at hardware and software issues.
- Districts will be receiving a dividend from the Health Care Committee to be applied to September premiums.
- Commissioner compensation has increased to \$104 per day of service.

Executive Session:

None

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Cameron at p.m.

Chairperson

District Secretary