

NORTH HIGHLINE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING



February 1, 2011

The first regular meeting for February of the Board of Fire Commissioners of North Highline Fire District was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Wayne Alishokis with Commissioners Ray Austin and Rob Spreier present. Also in attendance were:

Roger Anderson
Amy Benner
Eric Boutwell
Chris Johnson
Bob Lawson

Gill Loring
Ed Marrs
Mike Marrs
Bob Price
Pat Price

Charlotte Ryan
Brian Snure

Chairman Alishokis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Alishokis stated there was no need for an executive session and asked that it be removed from the agenda. Rob Spreier moved to approve the meeting's agenda as amended. Ray Austin seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes of January 18, 2011 regular meeting
- Expense Fund Vouchers No. 02001 through 02020 in the amount of \$12,089.32

Rob Spreier moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ray Austin seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

Correspondence

None

Public Comment

None

Commissioners' Report

- Chairman Alishokis had no report.
- Commissioner Austin said that he, Chief Marstrom, Chief Marrs, and Commissioner Hobbick will have their initial meeting to discuss a new contract with District 2 on Monday, February 14.
- Commissioner Spreier had no report.

Local #1810 Report

No report.

Local #3780 Report

No report.

Chiefs' Report

Because Chief Marstrom was on vacation, Battalion Chief Anderson gave the report:

- **Department Staffing**

We finally have some good news that one firefighter will be back on duty February 7, and it is anticipated that another firefighter will be released to full duty within the next week. Of the two remaining personnel still on disability, we should know about one of them on February 8, but the other will still be off for at least one more month.

Commissioner Spreier asked whether the firefighter was off on sick leave or disability. BC Anderson replied that he is now using disability. A discussion was held regarding the differences between sick leave, family leave, and LEOFF 1 disability.

- **District 2 Contract Negotiations**

As Commissioner Austin reported, the negotiations committee will be meeting Monday, February 14.

- **Special Meeting Date**

Because this meeting will be the last opportunity to have all three board members in attendance for a while, Chief Marstrom is requesting the board set a date for a special workshop meeting to review Series 1000 (Commissioner Policies) sometime during the last two weeks in March. Chairman Alishokis stated that he would like to reserve the Burien Library's meeting room for the special workshop.

Commissioner Spreier stated he did not have his calendar with him, but he would inform the Secretary which dates would not work for him when he returned home today. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the date for the special workshop would be the one that worked for all board members.

Attorney's Report

The District Attorney stated he would not be able to attend the first meeting in April.

Unfinished Business

A discussion was held regarding the district's EAP program. Commissioner Spreier asked Commissioner Austin if his department (Mercer Island Fire) had an EAP program. Commissioner Austin responded that it does, and he gave some examples of how it has helped firefighters and their families.

Commissioner Spreier stated he still has concerns that the EAP program could be duplicating employee benefits when the district has chaplains. BC Anderson replied that these are areas outside the chaplains' duties.

After further discussion, Ray Austin moved to renew the EAP contract. Rob Spreier seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

New Business

The next order of business was adopting Resolution No. 439. Chairman Alishokis explained that in order to claim the \$43,000 annuity left to the district (see minutes of 12/21/2010), the board must pass a resolution authorizing his signature to the document and stating how the funds are to be disbursed.

He then reported that, after meeting with Chief Marstrom, we will be putting together a small advisory committee to determine the best way to use the money. When the Chief returns from vacation, he will send a letter to Dennis Costello (the son) asking if he would like to be part of the committee or if he (or his mother) has a particular cause where they would like to see the funds used.

Rob Spreier moved to adopt Resolution No. 439. Ray Austin seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

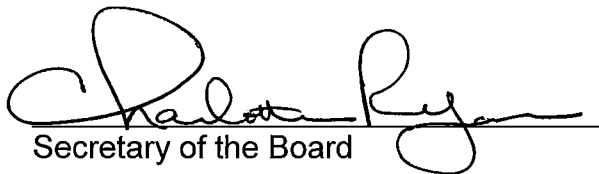
Because he will be on vacation, Wayne Alishokis moved to excuse Commissioner Spreier from the February 15, March 1, and March 15, 2011 meetings. Ray Austin seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

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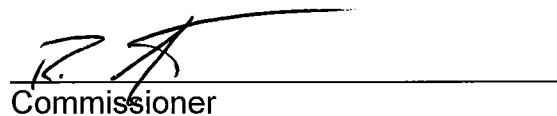
None.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary of the Board


Chairman, Commissioner


Commissioner

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