

NORTH HIGHLINE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING



January 22, 2018

The regular North Highline Fire District Fire Commissioners' Meeting for January was called to order at 7:00 PM by Commissioner Liz Giba with Commissioner Julie Hiatt and Commissioner Dominic Barrera in attendance. Also in attendance were:

Jeff Allen
Roger Anderson
Benjamin Asuega
Theresa Asuega
Deanna Bruns
Louis Bruns
Leonardo Castranovich
Jamie Cissell
Colby Cruz
David Dilley
Donna Fanene
Paul Fray
Manuel Fualii
Spencer Garry
Jon Goins
David Jason
Chris Johnson

Dawn Judkins
Bob Lawson
Asa LeManu
Heather LeManu
Leutu LeManu
Mativa LeManu
Nina LeManu
Ed Marrs
Mike Marrs
Jeff Miller
Mariz Moliga
Nese Moliga
Tau Moliga
Jon Morine
Colin Murphy
Dan Murray
Ryan Mudie

Bob Price
Pat Price
Todd Salter
Mark Sawdon
Shauna Sheppard
Kevin Sykes
Kenzick Suitonu
Joyce Suitonu
Vaoita Suitonu
Amanda Ursino
Andre Ursino
Nathan White
Tim Woodland
Kurt Zimmerman
Sue Zimmerman

Chief Marrs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Julie Hiatt moved to accept the meeting agenda as presented. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Promotion / Oath

Julie Hiatt moved to promote Fire Fighter Mativa (Matt) LeManu to the position of Captain effective February 1, 2018. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Assistant Chief David Dilley presented Fire Fighter LeManu for promotion to the rank of Captain. Chief Mike Marrs administered the oath. Battalion Chief Paul Fray presented Captain LeManu with his helmet. Captains Kurt Zimmerman and Kevin Sykes pinned Captain LeManu's bars. Heather LeManu, Captain LeManu's wife, conferred his captain's pin.

The meeting was adjourned for 10 minutes at 7:10 PM; it was reconvened at 7:20 PM.

Meeting Minutes

Julie Hiatt moved to accept the minutes as presented of the December 18, 2017 regular meeting; Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Accounts Payable

Julie Hiatt moved to approve the December, 2017 and January, 2018 accounts payable vouchers as follows:

- 1712201 to 1712224 in the amount of \$345,518.57 (December end of month)
- 1714101 to 1714132 in the amount of \$295,873.85 (December payroll)
- 1801101 to 1801124 in the amount of \$20,364.08 (January mid-month)
- 1802100 to 1802106 in the amount of \$52,181.05 (January payroll)
- 1801301 to 1801342 in the amount of \$90,725.28 (January end of month)
- 1801401 to 1801431 in the amount of \$234,194.57 (January payroll-EFT)
- 1801501 to 1801503 in the amount of \$31,461.49 (Capital expense)

Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Correspondence

- 4th Quarter Fire Investigators Report. A copy of the report is on file with the meeting minutes

Public Comment

- None

Commissioners' Report

Commissioner Barrera reported on the following topics:

- The State Legislature began its 60-day session and passed the state's capital budget. It includes \$10M for construction of the new burn tower, repair of water treatment, and communications equipment for the North Bend Training Academy.
- The Voting Rights Act was also passed by the senate and is now going to the house for vote.
- Liz Giba said that she had received an email from the legislature indicating that Senate Bill 5364 was reintroduced. This is the companion bill to House Bill 1467 dealing with benefit charges that was passed last year. She asked Representative Joe Fitzgibbon about it and he assured her that it would not move this year. She asked Commissioner Barrera and the Board if the reason SB 5364 was reintroduced was because this is the second year of the biennium Dominic Barrera will call Senator Karen Kaiser regarding the status of Senate Bill 5364.
- Julie Hiatt asked if there is a law on the books prohibiting communities from preparing for a nuclear attack, to which Chief Mike Marris replied, "Yes."
- Commissioner Barrera will be attending Legislative Day on Thursday, January 25, 2018 at 8:30 AM.

Commissioner Hiatt reported on the following topics:

- The Annual King County Fire Commissioners and Fire Chiefs Banquet was received well and the evening was a great success. The Pat Cashman did a great job as master of ceremonies and kept the festivities engaging.
- The Commissioner 101 Course hosted by King County Fire Commissioners is going to be on Saturday, February 3, 2018 from 9:00AM to 3:30 PM at the Shoreline Fire Department headquarters. Registration and more information can be found on the King County Commissioners website.
- The winter newsletter is currently in development with a target release date of February 2018. Highlights will include 2017 Volunteer Fire Fighter of the Year, Seth Richmond, as well as an article featuring the Puget Sound Skill Center.

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- None

Financial Reports

The Board received copies of the December, 2017 Treasurer's and Cash Flow Reports. Chief Marris confirmed that expenses were at anticipated year-end budgetary levels for 2017. Copies of the reports are on file with the minutes.

Chief's Report

Chief Marris reported on the following:

- Chief Marris was contacted by and met with Kenny Pittman and Brian Hastings of Seattle Fire, about annexation. Emergency call volume, cost, and mutual aid regardless of borders were topics explored. Liz Giba asked if Brian Hastings is

associated with Evergreen Pool. Chief Mike Marrs and Mrs. Pat Price confirmed he is indeed one in the same.

- Update on King County Medic 1 Levy – We are beginning the planning cycle for the next 6-year levy. The law requires cities with over 50,000 citizens to approve a county-wide ballot measure. The State Council of Fire Fighters is currently working on changing the law so one city could not hold up the process. Julie Hiatt mentioned that this came up at the joint board of commissioners meeting and that at least 11 cities meet the minimum 50,000 requirement. Chief Mike Marrs noted that several cities are on the cusp of meeting that standard. With more cities, more confusion and hold ups could occur. Liz Giba asked what the benefit would be to the cities to hold up the levy. Chief Mike Marrs stated that the money from the levy would go to each individual city represented on the ballot. Brian Snure suggested that if cities could defeat these changes, they could run their own elections and collect the monies individually.
- Chief Mike Marrs is currently working with Michelle Plorde, Director of King County EMS, regarding programs similar to Kent's FD Cares, CEMT and Mobile Integrated Health. These programs are towards a 20 minute response time goal for low acuity calls. All of these models are being considered for support with the King County EMS/Medic One funding.
- The planning phase has started and the overall process will take 2 years and the vote will take place in the fall of 2019.
- A long-term planning session for the Board of Commissioners was proposed. Julie Hiatt agreed that taking a more proactive approach and developing a strategic plan for the future of North Highline Fire District #11 is a top priority. February 27th from 10:30 am – 3:30 pm is currently under consideration for a retreat date. Locations are being evaluated. The exact date, time and place will be determined.

Attorney's Report

- None.

Unfinished Business

New Business

2018 Fire Fighter New Hire – Julie Hiatt moved to hire Matt Nugent conditioned on his successful completion of the fire academy and 1-year probationary period starting February 1, 2018. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0). Discussion ensued surrounding the hire list and the preference points associated to the new hire process. Federal Law states there is a 10% veteran points preference, while the district also allows for a 5% active volunteer preference points. We follow the current policy and, hire from the joint Burien/North Highline Eligibility List, which expires on 12/31/2018. The 3-step process includes a written test, oral board, and Chief's interview.

Surplus Items – A list of obsolete, damaged, or no longer serviceable items will be available at next regular board meeting on February 13, 2018.

Good of the Order

Letter of Recommendation from King County Superior Court Judge Hollis regarding Volunteer Fire Fighter Seth Richmond.

Fire Fighter Kurt Zimmerman will be retiring, effective January 31, 2018. His retirement will be acknowledged on January 23, 2018 at Station #18 at 11:30 AM.

Executive Session

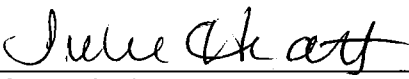
- A 20-minute executive session was called at 8:20PM to review the hiring of a public employee per RCW 42.30.110(1) (g) and to discuss labor negotiations per RCW 42.30.140(4) (b). The meeting was extended at 8:40 PM for 40 minutes.

As there was no further business, Julie Hiatt moved to adjourn. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary of the Board


Chairman, Commissioner


Commissioner

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