

NORTH HIGHLINE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING



June 18th, 2018

The regular North Highline Fire District Fire Commissioners' Meeting for June was called to order at 6:00 PM by Commissioner Liz Giba with Commissioners Julie Hiatt in attendance and Dominic Barrera by phone.

Also in attendance were:

David Dilley
Mike Marrs
Ray Pettigrew
Bob Price
Pat Price
Shauna Sheppard

Chief Marrs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Meeting Minutes

Julie Hiatt moved to accept the minutes, as presented, of the May 21st, 2018 regular meeting. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Accounts Payable

Julie Hiatt moved to approve the June, 2018 accounts payable vouchers as follows:

18006101 to 18006132 in the amount of \$124,957.34 (June mid-month)
18007101 to 18007131 in the amount of \$375,442.26 (June payroll - ACH)
18008101 to 18008113 in the amount of \$7,592.82 (June month-end vouchers)

18009101 to 18009108 in the amount of \$110,247.95 (June payroll)
18010101 to 18010101 in the amount of \$1,354,858 (Capital Purchase)
600108 to 600112 in the amount of \$3,019.80 (Volunteer Payroll)
18030101 to 18030103 in the amount of \$602.95 (EFT Volunteer Medicare/Vol. Assoc.)

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

Correspondence

None

Public Comment

None

Commissioners' Report

Commissioner Hiatt reported: Jubilee Days - The street fair will be July 21st between 11:00 am and 8:00 pm. NHFD will have be on 98th between 16th and 15th so we will have access to a fire hydrant. NHFD will have a big presence including: a fire engine, tent, boat, the gator, and the safety house. The parade is on Sunday, July 22nd. For the parade, on Sunday we'll need help closing the streets. Sparky and his bunker gear are ready and cleaned. We need batteries for the fan in the head of the costume.

Newsletter – Responsibility for this is being transferred to Shauna to ensure it is complete every quarter. The plan is to get a draft to the commissioners for review in the next week or so and have it ready to distribute at Jubilee Days

King County Fire Commissioners Association – The next meeting will be on the 2nd Wednesday in July in Kent. The August meeting will be in Shoreline.

NHFD's picnic at Commissioner Hiatt's home – BBQ will be provided. This will be an informal opportunity to get the group together.

Commissioner Giba reported on last month's discussion about the new development at Top Hat. She followed up with DPER and the county contacted Vintage Housing about the discrepancy about the information provided during the permitting process and Vintage's recent statement about the number of potential tenants. Response, hopefully, this week.

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Financial Reports

Chief Marrs noted that overtime is increasing. We have been upstaffing the aid car. Due to a combination of sick leave usage and upstaffing overtime it is eating up the over

time budget. Looking to back off the days when we have 4 crewmembers to cutback the aid car upstaffing overtime. The Board received copies of the May, 2018 Treasurer's and Cash Flow Reports. Chief Marrs confirmed that expenses were at anticipated budgetary levels for 2018. Copies of the reports are on file with the minutes. Assistant Chief David Dilley added that we will work to manage training and have to hire back so aid car will be staffed with 2 crew members and available for calls when engine is at training.

Chief's Report

Chief Marrs reported on the following:

Update on the King County Medic One Levy – BLS (Basic Life Support) and EMS (Emergency Medical Service) are the primary focus of the meetings Chief Marrs attends. In the BLS Committee Meeting Group, there is a commitment to ensuring no one goes backwards. We will always get what we received the year before (due to annexation and call volumes) rebalancing of total number of calls and total assessed value. Without that rebalancing, because of our low assessed value, our BLS funding would go down and would reduce our portion of BLS Levy portions. There is another piece that is encouraging, but still must go to finance committee. There is about \$200K set aside for Buren/North Highline for the low acuity calls (CMT or FD Cares) and non-acute calls. They are not going to fully fund the CMT or non-urgent car, but this is a significant amount of money to support our full time unit. A part-time CMT car through the pilot study was suggested but did not come to fruition. However, due to need, it is possible this could roll out. The total population is evaluated and reviewed by the area being covered. They are pushing money towards that.

Fire Fighter Matt Nugent – FF Nugent will be graduating from the Training Consortium Academy on June 19th, 2018 at 6:00pm. It is an impressive ceremony and you are welcome to attend. He has been working for the past 4 weeks as he is already King County EMT and did not need to attend that portion of the academy.

Volunteer FF Jake Anderson – Congratulations on his contingent employment at the Puget Sound RFA. He also worked at AMR. Current King County hiring is insufficient to meet the upcoming needs due to retirees coming up and significant turn over is eminent. We are planning to gear up to meet the future needs of the district. We get \$600 to help offset the costs for training new fire fighters. This money is on hold due to the State Fire Marshal's budget shortfall.

King County Sheriff Fire District Report – 2nd Quarter 2018 – Two fires reported. One is unincorporated and the other is in the City of Burien. Will e-mail Craig to ensure that the call for Burien is allocated to their report.

Attorney's Report

None

Unfinished Business

Kenny Pittman's response to our letter to the City of Seattle – Chief Marris talked to Kenny Pitman about contracting. The City of Seattle was going to review costing but has not sent the information yet. Kenny Pitman requested a meeting with each individual commissioner of NHFD. Commissioner Hiatt invited him to this meeting, but he was not available. Commissioner Barrera is not opposed to meeting with Mr. Pittman, but does not believe it is necessary and could be counterproductive to hold meetings separately. Commissioner Giba is concerned about individual meetings. All commissioners are agreeable to inviting him to a future, regular meeting. Chief Mike Marris will invite Mr. Pittman him to our next regular meeting.

New Business

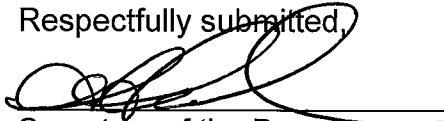
Interlocal Agreement - Chief Marris described this as a step in the right direction for achieving borderless responses in King County. The ILA has already been signed by 12 jurisdictions. The day it is signed, we would potentially be working with the City of Seattle with impacts on the Sliver, Delta Marine and Arbor Heights neighborhoods. This opens up the mutual aid, but the discussion still needs to be about the closer unit and brings up a host of issues such as communications, hose lays, tactical expectations, and other considerations. Commissioner Giba asked Brian Snure to review the ILA and he had no objection to it. Chief Marris gave a do pass recommendation. A downside will be in the interpretation of boundaries and where to pull back. The language does not fully articulate balancing the disproportionate level of calls in areas that are underserved or over-extending for response times. Commissioner Hiatt believes we need more data before we can sign the ILA. She is worried about the impact it may have on both districts. Chief Marris said we can withdraw from the ILA if that happens. There is a 60-Day notice clause so the agreement allows for expeditious exit if it overloads our call volume. The commissioners agree to put the ILA on hold until further review and statistical data could be obtained.

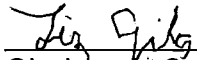
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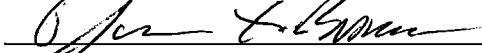
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As there was no further business, Julie Hiatt moved to adjourn. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary of the Board


Chairman, Commissioner


Commissioner


Commissioner