# EAST COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE

# REGULAR BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

August 2, 2016 Station 91 7 PM

# **Approved Minutes**

#### ATTENDANCE:

Martha Martin

Sherry Petty

Kacie Jones

Tad Crum John Straub Mike Berg

Tom Gianatasio

Paula Knapp

Greg Hochhalter

Mike Taggart

Robert Jacobs

Michelle McDermott

Greg Anderson

## CALL TO ORDER: 19:00 PM

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## **GUESTS:**

Greg Anderson

## **AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:**

Chief Gillespie noted that he had very recently received information pertaining to real estate that would be discussed in executive session.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1. Approval of July 19, 2016 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Approval of July 19, 2016 Local BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes
- 3. Approval of July 22, 2016 Special Workshop Minutes
- 4. Approval of August 2, 2016 Financial Statement and Report
- 5. Excuse Absent Commissioner(s):

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve the consent agenda, second by Gianatasio. Motion passed unanimously.

## **OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

Nothing

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

Chief Gillespie noted that ECFR participated in a rope rescue over the weekend and read his report. Chief Jacobs read his report and shared that Klickitat is no longer interested in the Carpenter bus.

#### **VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCATION:**

Nothing this evening. Commissioner Martin asked if there was anything the board can do for the VFFA, Tad Crum advised he will think about it. Chief Gillespie shared that ECFR is testing 7 new

volunteers on Saturday, August 6.

### **SAFETY REPORT:**

Chief Jacobs announced the next Safety Committee meeting will be in September.

#### **FIRE DISTRICT BUSINESS:**

## Planning Group Workshop:

Chief Gillespie reviewed topics discussed including apparatus replacement, budget and gathering historical financial data. The next planning group workshop is scheduled for August 25, 2016 at Station 91, 6:00PM.

## **Executive Search Committee:**

Chief Gillespie advised that there are items to be discussed in Executive Session

## Adopt 2017 Budget Calendar

Chief Gillespie explained that this proposed timeline details the important dates for composing and submitting the 2017 Budget. **Motion by Commissioner Berg** to adopt the budget calendar, **seconded** by Taggart. **Motion Passed**.

### **OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

Greg Holchhalter questioned the accuracy of an article in the paper regarding the employment contract for Chief Gillespie. Commissioner Martin confirmed that it is accurate. Mr. Holchhalter inquired about the district's plans and goals for finding a Chief, and a protracted discussion was had outlining steps the district has taken and plans to take in the future to fill this vacancy. John Straub asked Chief Gillespie to clarify remarks regarding the volunteer program and coordination with Camas for volunteers, and a lengthy discussion ensued detailing past and current participation levels of volunteers. Commissioner Martin encouraged members of the public to attend strategic planning workshops for continued discussions and longer opportunities for input.

#### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Taggart announced that he will be out of town for the next regular board meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup> and will attend via phone. Commissioner Berg will be gone for the regular board meeting on September 20<sup>th</sup> and will not attend via phone. Commissioner Martin announced ECFR's Open House will be held September 17<sup>th</sup>, and there is an upcoming CERT class beginning October 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### LOCAL BOARD FOR VOLUNTEER F/F & RESERVE OFFICERS:

Nothing

#### **ROUND TABLE:**

Nothing

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

RCW 42.31.110 (g) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) to consider the sale of real estate.

The Board went into executive session at 20:01. Anticipated return of 20:31.

An extension was announced until 20:41

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The board reconvened at 2:53

The board takes no action.

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to adjourn, second by Gianatasio; Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT: 20:54

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Martha Martin, Chairperson

Tom Gianatasio, Commissioner

Mike Taggart, Vice Chair

Mike Berg, Commissioner

Sherry Petty, Commissioner

**DISTRICT SEAL:** 

ATTEST:

Kacie Jones, District Secretary

