SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Station 68
July 20, 2010

Commissioner Gates called the meeting to order at 1600 hours with Commissioners Fossos, Rickert, Thompson and Freitas in attendance. Board Secretary Lauri Perry recording.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Thompson.

Commissioner Gates welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the minutes of the June 17, 2010 Commissioner's meeting. Commissioner Rickert made a Motion to approve the June 17th minutes. Commissioner Freitas noted that he will be abstaining as he wasn't in attendance at the meeting. Motion passed. Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the minutes of the June 18, 2010 Special Meeting/Retreat. Commissioner Fossos made a motion to approve the June 18th minutes. Commissioner Freitas noted that he will be abstaining as he wasn't in attendance at the meeting. Motion passed. Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the June 24, 2010 Special Meeting/CAT Meeting. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the June 24, 2010 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Rickert had no comments

Commissioner Thompson thanked staff for their hard work and research on the Districts liability insurance. Staff did their due diligence investigating, they did a good job and he appreciates what they did.

Commissioner Freitas had no comments.

Commissioner Fossos reported that he attended the yearbook committee meeting, we made a lot of progress working on the format and the order of sections it should be a great book that everyone is proud of. He added that he is very proud of Chairman Gates and D/C Olson, they attended the 33rd District Democrats meeting, presenting educational information on Prop One. Our State Senator Keiser made a Motion for the 33rd District to endorse Prop One, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gates noted that it has been a busy month, he attended the retirement celebration for FWSD Superintendent Tom Murphy, it was well attended, he also attended a Federal Way School Board Meeting to present a plaque to Superintendent Murphy, thanking him for his years of service and a coin from the WFC. Commissioner Gates also attended the following meetings, Federal Way Government Liaison Meeting, CAT/Special Meeting, Strategic Leadership, and last week he attended a HRA Committee Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Wayne Corey noted that the Des Moines Farmers Market is doing very well and Elder Care will be the featured organization at the July 31st Farmers Market.

COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEES

Commissioner Gates reported that the SLP (Strategic Leadership Planning Committee) met, which the notes were forwarded out to all Commissioners. The Budget, Finance & Audit committee met with King County Assessor Hara, he was very straight forward, it was a good session, and those notes were also forwarded to the Commissioners.

RECOGNITION OF PROMOTION AND APPOINTMENT

A/C Plumlee requested that D/C Olson and Lt. Herrera to please come forward. D/C Olson read the Certificate of Promotion into record, promoting Lt. Herrera to Deputy Fire Marshal. Lt. Herrera noted that it is all he thought and then some. He is a little overwhelmed but he will be fine, there are some great individuals to get information and learn from in FMO. Chairman Gates also came forward.

A/C Plumlee also recognized the promotion of FF Chris Cahan to Lieutenant; unfortunately, he was unable to be in attendance. A/C Plumlee read the Certificate of Promotion into record. B/C Kahler will present the plaque to him at a later date.

RESOLUTION #462 AUTHORIZING THE STUDY OF A SELF INSURED MEDICAL PLAN

A/C Plumlee read Resolution #462 into record. CFO Lawson noted that if we stay with WFCA Insurance we are looking at about a 15% increase in premiums, this along with the Contract with the Local we are researching different insurance plans. This resolution allows us to contact the State Risk Manger to see if it is feasible for us to become Self Funded, which is part of the process. President Herrera noted that the HRA Committee began with the increase in medical costs and it is important to look at the options that are available to us. Commissioner Gates added that it is time to see if the State would approve us to become Self Funded, there is no reason for the committee to continue working towards this if the State doesn't recommend it; it would be a waste of time. The resolution doesn't commit us to anything other than hearing back from the State to see if this is something that they recommend. The state will do a feasibility study. Commissioner Freitas has some concerns about self insurance, the policy and procedure committee has not addressed this, our policy has always been to buy insurance, the insurance committee hasn't looked at this, concerns are founded in lack of knowledge and not understanding the insurance issue, the only way to find out is to meet as a board, the procedure that we are following is, that one (1) Commissioner is involved with the HRA committee, this does not help the Board in general, the entire Board needs to be involved for them to all make informed decisions. He has concerns that they are passing a resolution that doesn't mean anything, he has difficulty understanding this and he hasn't seen the plan yet. He has concerns about self insurance; he would like to open up the plan. Commissioner Gates added that there are a number of other districts that are self funded and part of the plan is to contact the State to see if they approve us to continue with the process so we can work on creating the self funded plan. Commissioner Freitas likes to be knowledgeable and do his own research to better understand the issue. President Herrera added that the HRA Committee has looked at a lot

of different plans, but we need to see if the State finds it reasonable for us to continue with the plan. We will then move forward creating our plan. There was some discussion on what is stated in the contact with Local 2024. Commissioner Fossos added he is totally supportive of this; the process is to see if it is feasible for us to do it, he feels comfortable with this process. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to support Resolution #462 with the caveat that we have a special meeting to review information before it is submitted to the State. Commissioner Rickert noted that he believes we talking about 2 different things – contract to look into it and an insurance committee should review the contract language. It should be reviewed by insurance committee; HRA will then give recommendations to the full Board. After some discussion Commissioner Fossos requested to strike the caveat about holding a Special meeting before the information is submitted to the State. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Fossos requested that the Chairman schedule a Special meeting to discuss the information once it has been gathered.

CHIEF/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A/C Plumlee reported that Chief Church is unable to be here, he is in Phoenix for his Doctoral Residency.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS, SPECIAL OPERATIONS, EMS & WELNESS & FITNESS

A/C Plumlee thanked D/C Trackwell and D/C Knorr for making sure the CMT vehicle was ready to go while he was on vacation. The CMT program seems to be going well, at this time, it appears to be underutilized we will continue to work on this with Valley Comm to make sure that CMT 66 is responding to the low acute calls instead of our Engines and Aid Cars.

A/C Plumlee also thanked D/C Trackwell for providing the IAP forms for the 4th of July and the Triathlon, which seemed to be well attended. We were able to have an Aid Car staged during the Triathlon which worked out well.

A/C Plumlee then reminded the Commissioners of the following meetings and events:

- Wednesday, July 21st – King County Commissioners Meeting at Mountain View Fire & Rescue, the vanpool will be leaving Station 62 at 5:30 pm.
- Friday, July 23rd – Kiwanis Salmon Bake at Steel Lake
- Friday, July 30th – JLM Meeting at Station 62 at 9:00 am (Commissioners Thompson & Freitas)
- Tuesday, August 3rd – National Night Out
- Thursday, August 12th – EOC Policy Meeting at the City of Federal Way Patrick Maher Room at 3:00 pm
- Tuesday, August 17th – Election Day
- Wednesday, August 18th – Budget, Finance & Audit Committee meeting at Station 62 at 2:00 pm (Commissioners Gates & Rickert)
- Thursday, August 19th – Board of Commissioners M eeting at Station 68 at 4:00 pm

LOGISTICS, FLEET, FACILITIES & ACCREDIATION

D/C Knorr noted that Facilities is finishing up the 2nd phase of the remodeling at Station 63

and he encouraged the Commissioners to stop in and take a look. There is one more phase of construction left to do. D/C Knorr added that Facilities Supervisor Tom Batten will be retiring the end of January 2011.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

D/C Trackwell reported the City of Des Moines is looking at hosting an iron man competition on August 20th the City is currently going through the process to approve permits. If it is approved the race course will cut the City in half for four (4) hours, so we will have to have additional staffing there. Des Moines Marina has put in for a grant for funding a new pier and dock this will allow for Marine 26 to have a faster response. They have hired a professional grant writer to put this together. SAFER Grant has not opened up yet.

FIRE MARSHAL/PREVENTION/PUBLIC EDUCATION/PUBLIC INFORMATION

D/C Olson reported that we have been providing a number of Spanish CPR classes and on Thursday, we will have a Spanish presentation at the Des Moines Senior Center on Safety and Prevention. He added that in regards to Prop One, we have been contacted by the public and businesses on the potential impact of Prop One. D/C Olson had a really good meeting with Gary Martindale, the General Manager of the Commons Mall to discuss the impact of Prop One. Gary seemed to be very happy with the numbers as it keeps the mall competitive especially if you compare the numbers to that of Kent and Auburn.

TRAINING AND SAFETY

A/C Plumlee reported that D/C Pennington is at Station 62 interviewing candidates for firefighter, every year we establish a hiring list.

HUMAN RESOURCES

A/C Plumlee reported that Mary is at Station 62 interviewing candidates for firefighter, every year we establish a hiring list.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

A/C Plumlee reported that IT Director Ganem is unable to be here tonight, he is ill.

FINANCE

CFO Lawson reported the Finance staff has cleaned out the storage at Station 63. He added that there was a special warrant cycle that was used to pay the IRS for Medicare. We don't believe that the money is owed to them, but in this case it is better to pay them and ask for a refund as they charge a pretty hefty interest on any unpaid funds.

JULY BUDGET

The July budget is 2.4% under budget. CFO Lawson read into the record the list of expenditures for the month of July and the June Special Check Run.

VOUCHERS

The following June and July Vouchers/Payments were approved and signed by the Board.

June

Accounts Payable Warrants (100747-100853) totaling	$14,693.90

July

Mid Month Utility Warrants (100732-100746) totaling	$18,861.41
Accounts Payable Warrants (100747-100853) totaling	$797,460.86
Payroll Direct Deposit Document for 163 individuals 984-1146 totaling	$885,005.50
Payroll Warrants for 5 individuals (#100020-100024)	$7,318.26
Payroll Electronic Federal Tax Payment totaling	$176,779.87
TOTAL approval	$1,885,425.90

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 1705.

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COMMISSIONER (CHAIR)

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