SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

July 25, 2013
Station 68

Commissioner Gates called the meeting to order at 1700 hours with Commissioners Rickert, Thompson, Fossos and Freitas in attendance. Board Secretary Lauri Perry recording. Chief Church has an excused absence. A/C Plumlee will be providing the Administrative Team Report in his absence.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Thompson.

Chairman Gates noted that they will be starting the meeting with #7 Recognition.

RECOGNTION

A/C Plumlee asked B/C Dave Mataftin to join him up front. B/C Mataftin displayed a few pictures of an incident to show what they were up against upon arrival on scene and to help demonstrate why we are recognizing these great individuals that stepped up and made a huge difference before the fire departments arrival on scene. You can see how close the fire was to other buildings as it is burning the vegetation in the surrounding area.

B/C Mataftin told a short story of what happened on May 16, 2013, when Daniel Howard, (Volunteer Firefighter at Whatcom County Fire District #17) was following a vehicle that was swerving on I-5, starting in Pierce County until the vehicle exited I-5 on the 272nd street exit. The vehicle crossed the median and ended up on the onramp at 272nd back on to I-5 northbound. Daniel was on the phone with the 911 operator the whole way, keeping them up to date on the location of the swerving vehicle so WSP can intercept the vehicle. It is absolutely amazing that there were no other vehicles or individuals involved, as the 272nd exit is normally a very busy area for cars and pedestrians. A/C Plumlee asked the following individuals to please come to the front; he read their plaques into record and thanked each of them for what they did, prior to the arrival of our crews. They made a difference in pulling the patients to safety and they began to extinguish the fire prior to the arrival of SKF&R apparatus. Daniel Howard, WSP Trooper Riney, WSP Trooper, Nomani, WSP Trooper Orlowski, WSP Trooper Poague (he was unable to attend the meeting) and Taylor Jackson (she was unable to attend the meeting). The patients that were rescued then came forward and thanked everyone that assisted in getting them to safety.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the minutes of the June 25, 2013 Commissioner's regular meeting. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to approve the June 25th minutes; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rickert. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Freitas is going to save his comments for later in the meeting.

Commissioner Rickert had no comments.

Commissioner Thompson had no comments.

Commissioner Fossos had no comments.

Commissioner Gates reported that it was a real pleasure to be at Station 64 on July 1st at 7:30 am when the Aid Car went back in service. The Aid Car was only in service for 8 or 9 minutes before they were headed to their first call, it didn't take long.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
Commissioners Gates noted that there was a Legal Committee meeting, although there is nothing to report on at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM REPORT
A/C Plumlee noted that the Kiwanis Salmon Bake will be held tomorrow.

JULY BUDGET
A/C Plumlee read into the record the list of expenditures for the month of July.

Mid-Month Utility/AP Warrants (104749-104769) totaling	$42,113.36
Accounts Payable Warrants (104770-104888) totaling	$981,556.04
Payroll Direct Deposit Document for 155 indiv. DD006437-006591 totaling	$896,528.66
Payroll Warrants (#100098 for 1 individual)	$238.14
Payroll Electronic Federal Tax Payment totaling	$190,556.81
TOTAL approval	$2,110,993.01

Commissioner Freitas inquired about the breakdown of the costs for the month. This is conceptual, since we changed to 4 platoon one concern is the increase in overtime, or the potential of an increase in overtime. Last month it appeared the overtime went up and this month it appears to be stabilizing. Is this because we are learning to work the system a little better or another short explanation? A/C Plumlee replied that with the new recruits going on shift, it has reduced our overtime. The overtime costs are not due to the 4 platoon schedule, what we are finding is the number of long term disabilities to maintain staffing levels. Anytime you can put seven (7) additional firefighters on the streets it is going to help the staffing levels and reduce overtime.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
At 1720 hours the meeting recessed into Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) to Review the Performance of a Public Employee for 15 minutes with no decisions anticipated.

At 1723 hours Executive Session began.

At 1738 hours Executive Session adjourned.

At 1738 hours the Regular Meeting reconvened.

Meeting adjourned at 1738 hours.

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