SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

January 28, 2014
Station 68

Commissioner Gates called the meeting to order at 1700 hours with Commissioners Rickert, Fossos, Thompson and Freitas in attendance. Board Secretary Lauri Perry recording.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Rickert.

Commissioner Fossos requested a moment of personal privilege. As most of you know two (2) fellow firefighter brothers were killed while fighting an apartment fire in Toledo, Ohio on Sunday, he asked for a moment of silence to remember and honor them.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the minutes of the December 19, 2013 Commissioner's regular meeting. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to approve the December 19th minutes; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rickert. Commissioner Freitas requested that his discussion with Commissioner Gates inquiring about the date of the legal committee meeting, were there minutes for that meeting and was the meeting audio recorded be added under Commissioner Committee Reports. After a lot of discussion, Commissioner Gates noted that we have a Motion and a second to approve the minutes as submitted. The Motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner Freitas voting against the minutes. After a lot of discussion, Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to reconsider the approval of the minutes pending the review of the tape, if there is any deviation from the written word then it will be brought back to next month's meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to table the approval of the December 19th minutes until they can be reviewed by staff. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the minutes of the January 8, 2014 Special Meeting. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to approve the January 8, 2014 minutes as submitted; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rickert. Commissioner Fossos added that there was no action taken because there was not a quorum.

Commissioner Gates amended that the first sentence to reflect there no quorum was present. Commissioner Fossos accepted that amendment. Motion and the amendment passed 4-1 with Commissioner Freitas voting in opposition.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Thompson had no comments.

Commissioner Rickert welcomed everyone to the meeting; it is a real honor for us to be able to promote all people in the back of the room, a real hour to have the families present with us, thank you for coming tonight.

Commissioner Freitas echoed Commissioner Rickerts comments; he is honored to be here tonight with your presence to celebrate your promotions and awards, and it is good to have you here. He added that in the past month he attended a retirement party on behalf of the department for retiring Police Chief Brian Wilson, Martin Luther King Celebration which was a wonderful event, a EMS Trauma Steering Committee meeting, an Injury and Violence Prevention teleconference regarding Department of Health, EMS, prehospital events representing the department and the Washington Fire Commissioners Association.

Commissioner Fossos had no comments, he doesn't was to take away from the celebrated event that we are here for. Commissioner Freitas added, I thought we were here for a meeting.

Commissioner Gates noted, that he also wants to welcome everyone and their families as he looks at promotions for tonight there are an awful lot of Lieutenants, have we ever promoted this many Lieutenants at one time. Chief Church replied, that he believes the last time we had this many promotions was back in 1981. Go Seahawks this weekend!

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Gates noted the Legal committee met on January 22nd, there are no notes, or items from that meeting to be brought forward to the board.

Commissioner Thompson reported that the Merger & Consolidations Committee met with the Mayors of Auburn, Algona & Pacific representing Valley Regional Authority to discuss the possibility of merging or consolidating. They felt the same way we do, let's look into this to see if it makes sense to consolidate our efforts or if it makes sense to annex into their Fire Authority to better serve the citizens. Everyone that was present at the meeting agreed to send the Chief and the Administrator and supporting staff to work to put together a proposal on what the savings would be, what the efficiencies would be, and whether we merged or annexed into the Fire Authority or a consolidation of our functions. Everyone seemed very interested in getting together to discuss this, there are nine (9) members on their board. Commissioner Freitas asked if it was an advertised open public meeting, Commissioner Thompson, I don't think so, it was a committee meeting, they didn't have a quorum of their board. Commissioner Freitas asked, so as far as you know it was not advertised, as far as you know it was not an advertised public meeting. Commissioner Fossos replied, it was not a public meeting. Commissioner Freitas then asked who attended the meeting as far as from this board, Commissioner Thompson replied, Commissioner Fossos and himself, the Merger and Annexation Committee.

Commissioner Freitas asked who attended the Legal Committee on January 22nd with no notes taken, Commissioner Gates replied the Legal Committee. Commissioner Freitas then asked who that was, Commissioner Gates replied, I told you that last month, Commissioner

Freitas replied, that he forgot probably from last month Commissioner Fossos and Commissioner Gates, is that correct. Commissioner Gates replied, to the best of his knowledge, no notes were taken. Commissioner Freitas inquired, no notes were taken and you were at the meeting but you don't remember if you were there, thanks Bill.

Commissioner Fossos wanted to make sure the minutes reflect the recording that is not what Commissioner Gates said, so for the minutes that was a supposition that was made by Commissioner Freitas.

ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR FOR 2014

Commissioner Gates requested nominations for the Chair for 2014.

Commissioner Fossos nominated Commissioner Gates.
Commissioner Freitas recommended Commissioner Rickert. A Roll Call of votes was done by the Board Secretary:

Commissioner Freitas abstained
Commissioner Rickert voted for Commissioner Gates
Commissioner Gates voted for Commissioner Gates
Commissioner Thompson voted for Commissioner Gates
Commissioner Fossos voted for Commissioner Gates
Commissioner Gates is the Chairman for 2014 by a 4-0 vote with one abstained.

ELECTION OF BOARD VICE CHAIR FOR 2014

Commissioner Gates requested nominations for the Vice Chair for 2014.

Commissioner Freitas nominated Commissioner Thompson.
Commissioner Thompson nominated Commissioner Fossos. A Roll Call vote was done by the Board Secretary:

Commissioner Freitas voted for Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Rickert voted for Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Gates voted for Commissioner Fossos
Commissioner Thompson voted for Commissioner Fossos, adding that he is very humble to be nominated for Vice Chair however at this point and time he does not have the daytime hours to properly represent our organization
Commissioner Fossos voted for Commissioner Fossos

Commissioner Fossos is the Vice Chair for 2014 by a 3-2 vote.

RESOLUTION #320 – UPDATING MILEAGE

Commissioner Freitas made a Motion to approve Resolution #320; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner Gates added that for the record, the only change from the last mileage resolution was that the mileage rate has gone down from .565 to .56 per mile; all other per diem rates stay the same. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT RECOGNITIONS

Chief Church asked A/C Olson to please join him up front as we recognize some appointments. Chief Church read the certificates into record recognizing the following appointments:

- Lt. Tony Parise appointed to Deputy Fire Marshal
- Captain Charoni appointed to Training Officer
- Lt. Jeff Bellinghausen appointed to the Community Affairs Officer

PROMOTIONAL RECOGNITIONS

A/C Olson read the certificates into record recognizing the following promotions:

- Lt. Tom Batten promoted to Captain
- FF Mike R. Lawson promoted to Lieutenant. Lt. Lawson thanked his wife and kids for all their support.
- FF Todd Williams promoted to Lieutenant
- FF Anthony John promoted to Lieutenant
- FF Shane Smith promoted to Lieutenant
- FF Ted Gentry promoted to Lieutenant
- FF Scot McDonald promoted to Lieutenant
- FF Joel Bergfalk promoted to Lieutenant
- FF Tyler Luke promoted to Lieutenant.

Chief Church asked Commissioner Gates to please join him at the front of the room to present this; he added that this if for a Commissioner with 20 years of service and the Board just elected him, Vice Chair for 2014. Chief Church asked Commissioner Fossos to please come forward to collect his 20 year pin.

Chief Church congratulated all of the appointees and everyone that was promoted. A/C Olson added that he looks forward to spending time and working with everyone.

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM REPORT

Chief Church noted what a great evening; to see so many individuals moving up in their career to become leaders in this organization, it truly makes him humble and proud to the be Chief as we head into 2014. He was also honored to be able to plaque on behalf of the fire department to Brian Wilson at his retirement gathering on the 16th.

Chief Church reminded everyone that February 11th is Legislative Day in Olympia; it is a tough tough short session so far. We did get our Mobilization Bill to finally return mobilization to being all risk, this bill has been moved out of committee unfortunately, it is now in Appropriations Committee, we were hoping it would go right to the Rules Committee. So we will keep working it so it can pass Appropriations and then onto the Rules Committee. There are a number of bills that aren't going to get a hearing. Commissioner Fossos asked for an update on the Annexation bill, which allows Cities to annex unincorporated areas. Chief Church replied, not at this point, there are a number of bills relative to annexation also

allowing municipalities to form their own fire authority, he isn't sure if the bills are going to go anywhere.

Chief Church thanked Mary Stevens, D/C Pennington, B/C Kahler, A/C Olson and the Local 2024 members that have been part of the hiring process. Due to some recent retirees we will be filing those spots. It sounds like a great group of candidates and it is nice to continue moving forward.

On Friday, January 31st the Admin team will be serving dinner to a group of homeless gentleman and preparing their lunches for Saturday. There are a number of shifts that have each taken an evening and provided meals this week.

Our Annual Banquet will be held on Saturday, February 1st, this year's theme is Football, Go Hawks!

The Greater Federal Way Emergency Management Policy Group will meet on Thursday at 1500 hours at the Federal Way City Hall; this will be the culmination of the earthquake drill where the elected officials will be involved with making a public release

Again congratulations to all of the promotees, Commissioner Fossos for his years of service and to the Chair and Vice Chair as we head into 2014 and Go Hawks!

JANUARY BUDGET

CFO Lawson reported that the January budget is 0.75% over budget; CFO Lawson read into the record the list of expenditures for the month of January, this includes a number of one time payments that happen at the first of every year.

Mid-Month Utility Warrants (105454-105475) totaling	$43,904.70
Accounts Payable Warrants (105476-105572) totaling	$720,201.74
Payroll Direct Deposit Document for 155 indiv. DD007371-007525 totaling	$1,200,604.12
Payroll Warrants (#100111 for 1 individual)	$421.12
Payroll Electronic Federal Tax Payment totaling	$290,594.26
TOTAL approval	$2,255,725.94

Meeting adjourned at 1755 hours.

COMMISSIONER (CHAIR)

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BOARD SECRETARY

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