SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Budget Workshop – Public Hearing
Station 68
October 15, 2014

Commissioner Gates called the meeting to order at 0900 hours with Commissioners Thompson, Rickert and Freitas present, Commissioner Fossos is on his way. Board Secretary Lauri Perry recording.

Commissioner Gates welcomed everyone to the meeting, adding that this is a Special Meeting/Pubic Hearing in regards to the 2015 draft budget.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Thompson.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
Commissioner Freitas had no comments; however he would like to reserve the right to ask questions during the presentation.

Commissioner Rickert had no comments.

Commissioner Thompson had no comments.

Commissioner Gates had no comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONER BUDGET WORKSHOP/PUBLIC HEARING
Commissioner Gates noted that Chief Church will present the budget division by division and he asked the Commissioners to hold their comments until Chief Church has finished that division budget and the public will have the option of making public comments at the end of the meeting.

Commissioner Fossos arrived at 0907 hours.

Chief Church thanked the Admin Team and the Budget Finance & Audit Committee for their input on the 2015 draft budget. It is great to see an increase in Assessed Values this year, he added that he will be asking the Board to approve the budget at the October 28th Regular Board Meeting.

Chief Church began reviewing the draft 2015 budget adding that he is very pleased, with the increase in AV's we are able maintain all positions funded through a combination of the M&O Levy and the SAFER Grant. The SAFER Grant expires this year and thank goodness we are not in a position to be prorationed due to having the foresight to withdraw from the Hospital District overlap area and we are able to achieve some goals within the SLP for mentoring, education and succession planning. This is the second straight year with a balanced budget. This budget includes a 2% COLA increase for all staff, Valley Com had a large increase, we will be restaffing a Deputy Fire Marshal position that was eliminated due to budget reductions the office is seeing an increase in work load and new construction and we will be adding an Acting B/C position – mentoring for succession planning. The

Budget Finance & Audit Committee met on October 2nd and reviewed the budget, they requested a few changes.

- Capital Budget includes Operations Capital (Active 9-1-1-1 Alert System, Rescue Swimmer Gear, Blue Card Recertification/Ongoing Education and Physical Fitness Equipment), Desktop Computing, Technology Fund, Property/Debt Payment and Facilities Capital (Safety Tread for Station62 Stairs, EOC Bathroom Upgrade, Upgrade NE Bunkroom Windows at Station 62, Replace Chairs at Station 63, Replace 6' Portable Tables, KME On-board Generators and Station Air Compressors)
- Projected Revenues saw an increase of 15.15% on existing properties.
- Projected Fund Balances.
- Sources of Revenue.
- Uses of Funds.

At 0955 hours the meeting recessed for 5 minutes.

At 1000 hours the meeting reconvened.

- Commissioner's line remained unchanged.
- Audit line item remained unchanged.
- General line items have decreased 0.7%
- Administration line items have increased 4.8%
- Operations has increased 5.0%
- EMS has increased of 3.0%
- Rescue Team budget has increased 2.5%.
- Marine Team budget has increased 2.4%.
- Haz-Mat Team budget has increased by 2.1%.
- Health & Safety budget has increased 0.3%.
- Prevention/Investigation budget has seen an increase of 16.5% due to restaffing a position that was eliminated due to reduced staffing levels.
- Public Education budget has increased by 11.6%.
- Training budget has increased by 5.8%

At 1100 hours the meeting recessed for 5 minutes.

At 1105 hours the meeting reconvened.

- Facilities budget has increased 9.5%.
- Fleet budget has increased by 3.8%.
- Information Technologies budget has increased 3.9%.
- Employee Health Benefits budget has increased 10.6%

Public Comments

Jerry Galland asked about the department budgeting for Affordable Care Act and he added that the fleet budget does not show the need for new apparatus via a Bond. If the apparatus are failing, you should need to spend a lot more on parts to keep them running.

Meeting adjourned at 1135 hours.

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