SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

January 26, 2016
Station 68

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Judge Larsen.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gates asked for the approval of the December 22, 2015, Regular Meeting minutes. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to approve the December 22, 2015, minutes as submitted; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rickert. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Fossos attended the King County Commissioners and Chiefs Installation Banquet, had a great time and he attended the Homeland Security Meeting earlier in the month.

Commissioner Thompson reported that this is the first meeting of 2016 and the start of a new chapter in the 67 year history of South King Fire & Rescue and the delivery of fire and emergency services in South King County!

We have a new board of fire commissioners, he welcomed aboard Commissioner Fuller, that will collectively be setting the course for the future of SKFR for the next 5, 10, 15 and 20 years and continue the work on upgrading, remodeling our fire stations and support facilities to be more efficient, and be earthquake resistant as required in current building codes so as to be ready to serve our citizens during emergencies.

Commissioner Thompson thanked the many people in the community and within the fire department for their hard work, we are able to upgrade our fire stations, training, fleet and facilities services buildings and replace aging emergency vehicles due to the voter approved 20 year Bond Issue in 2015!

Our community is growing in many ways; population, new jobs and new businesses and we at SKFR are committed to provide timely and quality fire department services with continued citizen and business group support. As the community grows, we need to work with the city of Federal Way to meet that growth by building a new fire station in the Brooklake area of Federal Way. We also need to work more closely with our other elected partners in the cities of Des Moines, Federal Way, and the unincorporated area representatives of the King County Council, the Highline and Lakehaven Water Districts and the Highline and Federal Way School

districts so as to be able to maintain our Washington Survey and Rating Bureau Class 2 Insurance rating which is a return on investment which benefits everyone in our fire district.

Commissioner Thompson thanked the voters in SKFR and King County, a new state of the art radio communications system has been approved and will be operational in the next few years which will make our fire district more efficient in emergency operations for the next 20+ years.

Commissioner Thompson, as one commissioner, am committed to providing more interaction with our citizens on a regular basis through Town Hall meetings throughout the district to provide updated information/status reports, on the Bond Issue monies being used for the upgrading of our facilities, and emergency vehicle fleet and to provide an opportunity to engage citizens in the various communities and neighborhoods in the district so as to provide a continuing dialog with our citizens with the facts and on how we are doing, and what we can do better in an effort to meet the Vision of the District: Be recognized by our community and our peers as a regional leader in providing quality fire department services.

He is really excited about the next chapter of South King Fire & Rescue, 67 years of providing quality fire and emergency services and very proud of the men and women who provide those services every day and strive to raise the bar for others to follow!!

He attended the Korean/American Day Celebration festivities at the King County Aquatics Center; many from the Korean community were very excited to see our districts participation by attending as elected officials and our honor guard's participation in the presentation of the colors.

Commissioner Thompson attended the Federal Way Chamber of Commerce luncheon where SKFR was recognized as a pivotal partner. Many local business and public officials were excited to see the commissioners attending and participating in the discussions. He will also be attending the 2016 Fire Service Legislative Day event in Olympia and meeting with our 30th, 33rd and 47th district representatives and senators that also represent our fire district and citizens. Commissioner Thompson reminded everyone our mission statement is: "We help people by responding with professional fire department services"

Commissioner Rickert attended the Korean American Day Celebration at the Aquatic Center, it was a nice dinner and great event, he also attended the King County Commissioners and Chiefs Installation Banquet, it was a good time.

Commissioner Fuller thanked everyone that voted for him, he appreciates the welcome that he has received so far. He added that he has a lot of work to do by getting around to all of the stations and meeting 150 or so staff and firefighters. He is looking forward to it; he is excited to get on board and looking forward to working with everyone.

Commissioner Gates noted that with this being our first meeting of 2016, we are all looking forward to this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
Commissioner Gates noted that the Legal committee met to discuss Resolution 510, there are no notes are in your packet.

SWEARING IN OF COMMISSIONER BILL FULLER AND COMMISSIONER JOHN RICKERT
Commissioner Gates requested that Judge Dave Larsen please come forward to perform the swearing of Commissioners Bill Fuller to the position of 2 and John Rickert to the position of 3.

Commissioner Fuller introduced his wife Pat.

ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR FOR 2016
Commissioner Gates requested nominations for the Chair for 2016.

Commissioner Fossos nominated Commissioner Gates, there were no other nominations.

Commissioner Thompson made a Motion to elect the Board Chair by acclamation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fossos. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gates is the Chairman for 2016 by a unanimous vote

ELECTION OF BOARD VICE CHAIR FOR 2016
Commissioner Gates requested nominations for the Vice Chair for 2016.

Commissioner Rickert nominated Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Gates nominated Commissioner Fossos

Commissioner Gates requested that a Roll Call of votes be done by the Board Secretary:

Commissioner Fossos voted for Commissioner Fossos
Commissioner Thompson voted for Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Gates voted for Commissioner Fossos
Commissioner Rickert voted for Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Fuller voted for Commissioner Thompson

Commissioner Thompson is the Vice Chair for 2016 by a 3-2 vote.

RESOLUTION 509 – ADOPT MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS FOR 2016

Chief Church read Resolution 509 into record. Commissioner Thompson made a Motion to adopt Resolution 509; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fossos. Motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Gates added that we will be holding some of our 2016 meetings in Des Moines.

RESOLUTION 320 – ADOPTING MILEAGE AND PER DIEM RATES FOR 2016

Chief Church read Resolution 320 into record; he added that this is an annual resolution for the per diem and mileage rate. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to approve Resolution 320; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rickert. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 510 – ALLOWING ASSISTANT CHIEF PLUMLEE TO APPROVE FACILITIES CHANGE ORDERS

Chief Church read Resolution 510 into record. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion to approve Resolution 510; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF FEDERAL WAY SCHOOL DISTRICT "TECHNOLOGY LEVY"

Commissioner Gates noted that he requested that this be on the agenda tonight, adding that the Federal Way School Board supported our Bond issues. He asked for consideration of a Motion or Resolution to support their Technology Levy. Commissioner Fossos made a Motion supporting the Federal Way School District Technology Levy; Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner Fuller asked how we would communicate our support of the Technology Levy. Chief Church replied that he would be happy to contact Superintendent Campbell and then she can feed it through her network of people that are working on the Levy. Motion passed unanimously.

PROMOTIONAL PINNINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

Chief Church requested A/C Plumlee and Lt. James Cromwell please come forward. Chief Church added that it is always great to recognize our promotions. Chief Church read the certificate presented to Lt. Cromwell into record. Lt. Cromwell was pinned by his wife Anne. Lt. Cromwell thanked Chief Church for opportunity; it brings a lot of new responsibilities however he is looking forward to it.

Chief Church requested A/C Pennington and provisional Captain Shane Smith to please come forward. Chief Church read the certificate presented to Training Officer Shane Smith into record.

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM REPORT

Chief Church reminded everyone that we have a Retreat scheduled for February 9th at Station 67; we will be discussing a number of topics. A/C Kahler is still out on disability; hopefully he will be back in early February. Chief Church welcomed Commissioner Fuller to the Board. The WFCA-WFC Legislative Day will be Thursday, January 28th in Olympia, it is going to be a crazy

60 day, short session, so far there appears to be lots of fire service bills and a ton of wild fire bills due to the fires that occurred last year. Chief Church added that a very dear friend of the fire service, Gordon Walgren lost his wife very recently; please keep Gordon and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Chief Church added that earlier today he and a few other Chiefs and Commissioners met with the upper echelon at L&I in regards to our rates. They had some great discussions and are going to establish a very small workgroup to identify performance measures and outcomes to see if there is any way to reduce the fire service rates, we have seen steady rate increases over the past years, in fact some years double digit increases.

Chief Church reports that we are starting the year out .02 under budget.

JANUARY BUDGET

Finance Manager Delia Fjelstad read into record the list of expenditures for the month of January.

Mid-Month Utility Warrants (108229-108253) totaling	$50,454.52
Accounts Payable Warrants (108254-108348) totaling	$831,746.34
Payroll Direct Deposit Document for 157 indiv. DD011113--011269 totaling	$1,158,867.36
Payroll Warrants for 0 individuals #	$0
Payroll Electronic Federal Tax Payment totaling	$288,863.09
TOTAL approval	$2,329,931.31

Meeting adjourned at 1730 hours.

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