SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Budget Workshop – Public Hearing
Station 68
October 14, 2019

Commissioner Gates called the meeting to order at 0900 hours with Commissioners Thompson, Rickert and Fuller present. Commissioner Fossos was excused. 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 2020 draft budget.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Rickert.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Thompson thanked everyone for their hard work on the 2020 budget. He is looking forward to today's presentation.

Commissioner Fuller mentioned that Lakehaven Water Commissioner Tim McClain recently passed away our condolences to his family and Lakehaven.

Commissioner Rickert noted that he had a great time in Hawaii last month, sorry he missed the September Board Meeting. He thanked everyone for their hard work on the 2020 budget and he looks forward to the new budget.

Commissioner Gates also mentioned that he is looking forward to the 2020 budget presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONER BUDGET WORKSHOP/PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Gates noted we will discuss the budget, division by division and he asked the Commissioners to hold their questions until we have finished that division's budget and the public will have the option of making public comments at the end of the meeting.

Chief Church thanked the Administrative team especially A/C Pennington and Executive Director of Business Operations Joe Ganem for all of their hard work on the 2020 budget. Chief Church also asked that all questions on the budget be directed to the new Fire Chief A/C Pennington and Joe Ganem.

A/C Pennington thanked everyone for their hard work on creating the 2020 budget. We have met with all division leaders to come up with this budget.

Highlights that this budget includes;

- Staffing of an additional Aid Car A63
- We will continue to maintain fiscal responsibility to the citizens we serve
- COLA 2.23% increase for all personnel

- Hiring of a Social Worker to support the CMT/Cares unit
- A new Logistics Officer
- The draft budget has been reviewed by Budget, Finance & Audit committee on October 3rd.
- We will be asking for approval of the budget at the October 29th Regular Board Meeting.

- Community Medical Technician (CMT) unit in partnership with VRFA (co-funded by VRFA)
- Maintaining two (2) social worker coordinators to assist the Community Affairs Office in working with the CMT personnel, co-funded by VRFA
- Maintain Emergency Manager position co-funded by VRFA

- Overall operating budget – 3.95 % increase
- Capital budget is $798,420
- Commissioners saw an 0% increase
- General budget line items have increased 6.3%
- Administration line items have increased by 5.5%
- Business Operations line items have increased 15.9 %, due to the new Logistics Officer position
- Operations has seen an increase of 1.2%
- EMS budget has increased by 1.7%
- Rescue Team budget has increased by 4%
- Marine Team budget has increased by 5.2%
- Haz-Mat Team budget has increased by 16.4%
- Health & Safety budget has increased by 16.5%
- Prevention/Investigation budget has increased by 9.4%
- Community Affairs/CARES (CMT) budget saw an increase of 56.8%
- Training budget has decreased by 15.6% due to joining the Consortium
- Facilities budget has increased by 7.7%
- Fleet budget has increased by 13.2%
- Information Technologies budget has increased by 22.4%
- Employee Health Benefits budget has seen an increase of 5.7%

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 1010 hours.

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