SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Retreat
Station 68
June 18, 2010

Commissioner Gates called the meeting to order at 0800 with Commissioners Rickert, Thompson & Fossos present. Commissioner Freitas is excused this morning he is on a 0630 hours flight, so he will be here as soon as he can. Board Secretary Lauri Perry recording.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Fossos.

Commissioner Gates welcomed everyone to the retreat today.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Fossos noted that he is looking forward to a productive day; he added that he was on time to the meeting; in fact he was here at 0730 hours.

Commissioner Thompson noted that he is happy to be here, we are setting the course for the future, he added that it was nice to see the great presentations at yesterdays Commissioners meeting. He was shocked to hear that people would actually walk away instead of performing CPR on an individual in the time of need.

Commissioner Rickert had no comments.

Commissioner Gates noted that he appreciates Commissioner Fossos being on time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

RESOLUTION #461 EXEMPT PROPERTIES UNDER A BENEFIT CHARGE

Chief Church read Resolution #461 into record. Joe Quinn and the Budget Finance & Audit Committee met and discussed the resolution. Joe noted that in creating the resolution, he looked at allowable limitations to see what exemptions are allowed by law.

Commissioner Rickert reported that he would like to see some language added to 6B in regards to fire sprinklers, otherwise it is wide open to any special circumstances. It was agreed that the Fire marshal would recommend to the Fire Chief/Administrator any deductions in the benefit charge, at the 10% level like commercial structures, related to fully approved residential sprinkler systems on a case-by-case basis. After some discussion Commissioner Fossos made a motion to approve the Resolution with the amendment requested by Commissioner Rickert. Motion passed unanimously.

RETREAT

Commissioner Gates noted that Joe Quinn is here to be our facilitator. Chief Church thanked Joe for everything; he is always there when you need his advice.

Joe Quinn reported that he is here today to keep the meeting moving along. We will establish a parking lot for topics that seem to drag on and they can be discussed later.

- **Update on Response Data and 52.33**
  D/C Knorr passed out information and gave a presentation on our Response Data

Commissioner Freitas arrived at 0845 hours.

D/C Knorr continued his presentation.

- **HRA**
  Mary Stevens reported that the HRA Committee is continuing to meet and gather information on other medical insurance options, in strict compliance with the current collective bargaining agreement with IAFF Local #2024.

- **Accreditation Work to Date**
  D/C Knorr noted that FF Perusse was working days for a few months this year, he was a huge help in evaluating the maps and he worked on the community risk assessment. The community risk assessment looks at every commercial building and the risk involved depending on the contents and the type of structure. A form is completed for each building and they are then given a score OVAP, "Occupancy Vulnerability Assessment Profile" and this drives the risk.

- **Proposition One**
  Chief Church reported that Commissioner Gates, D/C Olson and several others have been busy educating the public and meeting with service clubs and home owners associations. He added that he has been working with the King County Assessor and right now it looks like our assessed values will be dropping 3 – 5 – 7% for 2011, we were hoping they would be flat. Chief Church also discussed pro rationing and that it is a possibility that we could be prorated in 2012 for the hospital district. In fact King County has finally realized that their flood district could be prorated so, they are looking as a sales tax increase, unfortunately, we don't have that luxury. Chief Church passed out the funding options for the future and he read through them. He applauded the Board for putting Prop One on the ballot and letting our voters decide the level of service we provide, either maintain or reduce services. Joe Quinn had put together a letter on what we would need to do to withdraw from the Hospital District, which was followed by some discussion. It was moved and passed by the Board of Commissioners via a 4-1 vote for Chief Church to continue to gather more information for a potential withdrawal from the hospital district. Four (4) of the Commissioners voted in favor of moving forward and to continue gathering information, one Commissioner (Freitas) had more questions about the process and voted in opposition to the motion. Chief Church suggested that further discussion of the hospital district withdrawal take place in September.

  Working lunch at 1200 hours.

- **Possible changes to the Commissioner Guidelines and forms**
  Chief Church reviewed and discussed the changes that had been submitted, after a few more changes, Commissioner Rickert made a Motion to accept the Commissioner Guidelines. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Impact Fees & Capital Facilities Plan**
  D/C Olson discussed and passed out a copy of the Capital Facilities Plan. He noted that the City of Federal Way will reopen their Comprehensive Plan at the first of the year to include our capital facilities plan so we will be able to collect impact fees. D/C Olson also reviewed

information on the impact fees and how we will be able to come up with the recommended amount of collection for residential and commercial.

- **Demonstration of Information Systems Upgrade**
  Chief Church thanked Joe Ganem and his team for the amount of hours and work that they have put in the past few weeks. They have done an incredible job in getting the system upgraded. IT Director Ganem added that they have put in quite a bit of hours getting the system upgraded and they continue to run into things that need to be tweaked or fixed, but for the most part the system is up and running. IT Director Ganem did a quick overview for the Commissioners on how they can log into their email accounts from home. Joe added that we will be switching to Share Point in the next month or two and that will give us more options as far as a Commissioner calendar and etc.

- **Future Planning Issues**
  Chief Church reported that the City of SeaTac Fire Department is looking at annexing into the Kent Regional Fire Authority and the contract talks between Burien Fire and North Highline Fire have stopped and it appears they are not interested in working together. Everything seems to be going well with Valley Regional Fire Authority, there were some concerns that they were going to build a new station close to our Station 65, but after meeting with Administrator Robertson, that is not the case and they are very happy with the contract that we have in place, with us covering the west hill area.

- **AFG Grant and SAFER Staffing Grant**
  CFO Lawson passed out information on the grant process, he added that we applied for an AFG Grant for portable radios and we will be applying for the SAFER Staffing Grant for up to 12 positions, targeting possible positions that could be eliminated through layoff. This will potentially help us maintain our staffing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 1425 hours.

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