



**PIERCE COUNTY
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No.17**

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**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FOR PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 17**

December 19, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for South Pierce Fire and Rescue District No. 17 was held at 302 McNaught Street South, Roy WA 98580. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Morris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioner John Christian, Commissioner Olivia Werner, Commissioner Dan Morris, Commissioner John Sebastian, and Commissioner Kathy Kadow were present. Also present were FC Lloyd Galey, DS Summer Miller, AA Hilma Wright, and several firefighters.

Consent Agenda:

1. **Minutes – Meeting on November 21, 2016**
2. **Accounts Payable Vouchers for December: #4145 - #4193 in the amount of \$39,038.72**
3. **Payroll Vouchers for November: #4194 - #4214 in the amount of \$311,319.80**
4. **Account Payable Voucher (VEBA) for December: #4125 in the amount of \$59,616.00**
5. **Total Payroll and Vouchers - \$409,974.52**
6. **Budget vs. Actual**

Local 726: None.

Cadets: None.

Public Comment: None.

Correspondence: Secretary Miller announced that there was correspondence from Attorney Quinn regarding rate increases for 2017 as well as an email from Lt Chase thanking Firefighter Durham for all of his efforts on the Districts Santa runs and sits.

Chief's Report:

December 2016 total calls year to date: 2733; December 2015 total calls to date: 2461

December 2016 total calls as of 12/15: 155; December 2015 total calls for the month: 221

PAST (November):

1. The District will continue with a fire protection contract for the town of Eatonville. Annexation will be put on hold for the time being.
2. Several meetings were held between the Chief, commissioners, and members with discussions focused on improving SPFR's financial position.
3. Congratulations to Alan Rivas for completing his probationary testing on November 28th.

PRESENT (December):

1. On December 8th a non-mandatory "paid staff" meeting was held at Station 170 to discuss concerns and issues lingering from the past. The meeting was well attended and produced ideas such as: a central station and EMS supply "store", changing how and where supplies are

- purchased, changing purchase order procedures, increasing the volunteer firefighter corp., utilizing volunteers as FF/EMT/Drivers at 84, fuel purchasing, and improving spending oversight.
2. Chief Galey attended volunteer training on December 13th to discuss issues relating to volunteers and to their concerns and ways to create shared ownership over the district between career and volunteer members.

FUTURE:

1. After the Local 726 meeting on 12/21 an LMC meeting will be held to discuss staffing issues.
2. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

COMMUNITY GOODWILL:

1. A great big THANK YOU to everyone who helps with Santa runs and Santa sits!
Santa Runs 12/5-12/9/16: Adam Durham, Mike Wright, Steven Akin, Chris Johnson, Chris Michaels, Corey Kneeshaw, Alan Rivas, Kyle Barnes, Dave Ball, Skyler Anderson, Jeremy Willett, Heather Akin, Hilma Wright, and Kathy Kadow.
Santa Sits 12/10-12/11/16: Adam Durham, Mike Wright, Steven Akin, Josh Seeley, Jeremy Willett, Hilma Wright, Heather Akin, Nathan Smith, Destiny Stevens, Ryan Gendron, George Gendron, Gerry Garrison, Chaplain Dorothy, Janet Dorothy, Sarah Alber, and Kathy Kadow.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) Town of Eatonville Fire Protection Contract
On a motion made by Commissioner Kadow and seconded by Commissioner Werner, the 2017 Town of Eatonville Fire Protection Contract was unanimously approved in the amount of \$433,500.
- 2) Employment Contracts for:
 - a. Administrative Assistant
 - b. Administrative/District Secretary*After some discussion, it was unanimously decided that the employment contracts for the Administrative Assistant and the Administrative/District Secretary would be postponed to the January 2017 meeting.*
- 3) Mountain Highway Property
After some discussion, it was unanimously decided that action on the Mountain Highway Property would be postponed and options would be presented to the Board at the January 2017 meeting.

New Business:

- 1) Nominations for 2017 Chair and Vice Chair
Commissioner Morris opened the nominations for Chair. Commissioner Werner was the only Chair nominee. The request for other nominations was made three times, with no other nominations made. With a majority vote, Commissioner Werner will be the 2017 Chair.

Commissioner Morris opened the nominations for Vice Chair. Commissioner Christian was the only Vice Chair nominee. The request for other nominations was made three times, with no other nominations made. With a majority vote, Commissioner Christian will be the 2017 Vice Chair.
- 2) Resolution 16-017 to establish 2017 Commissioner meeting dates
On a motion made by Commissioner Werner and seconded by Commissioner Kadow, Resolution 16-017 to establish the 2017 Commissioner meeting dates was unanimously approved.

Executive Session:

RCW 42.30.140 (4)(a) **Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or . . . that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.**

Commissioner Morris called for a 20 minute executive session at 7:35 pm.

At 7:55 pm it was announced that the executive session would be extended 10 minutes to 8:05 pm.

At 8:05 pm it was announced that the executive session would be extended 5 minutes to 8:10 pm.

At 8:10 pm it was announced that the executive session would be extended 5 minutes to 8:15 pm.

At 8:15 pm the regular meeting reconvened. *Commissioner Morris announced that medical mediation was stalled and that the mediator was speaking to his supervisor in order to determine what the next steps would be for the District and the Union. He stated that the District is willing to negotiate medical terms with the Local.*

Pierce County Fire Commissioners Meeting Update:

Commissioner Werner reported that she was the MC and that dinner was good. Chief Galey and former Chief Vellias were in attendance to represent the District.

Good of the Order:

Commissioner Kadow thanked Firefighter Durham for his work on upcoming Christmas events and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Sebastian thanked Commissioner Kadow for her efforts during the Christmas events.

Commissioner Werner thanked Firefighter Durham and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Christian thanked Firefighter Durham and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Commissioner Christian announced he met with Russ, Terry Brown and Steven Akin and stated the District will make it through tough times together.

Commissioner Morris also stated the District would get through, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.


Adjournment: *On a motion made by Commissioner Werner and seconded by Commissioner Sebastian, the regular meeting for the Board of Fire Commissioners for South Pierce Fire and Rescue District 17 adjourned at 8:18pm.*



Chairman Olivia Werner

1/17/17

Date



ATTEST: Summer Miller

District Secretary

1/17/17

Date