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King County Fire Protection District 40

Regular Commissioners' Meeting
October 28, 2010
4:30 p.m.

Commissioner
MIKE WARFEL

Commissioner
RONNIE BEHNKE

Commissioner
CHARLOTTE RYAN

Commissioner
RUSS PRICE

Commissioner
CRAIG VIOLANTE

Fire Chief
MARK PETERSON

Board Secretary
DEANNA GRATZER

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Warfel called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for King County Fire Protection District 40 to order at 4:30 p.m. Commissioners present for the Call to Order: Warfel, Price and Violante. Also attending were Secretary Gratzler, Consultant Paul Witt, Attorney Kinnon Williams, Fire Chief Mark Peterson, Deputy Chief Erik Wallgren, Civil Service Secretary Sandy Haydock, Battalion Chief Karl Rufener, citizens Brad Haydock, Rena Hardy and Linda Sartnurak.

Commissioner's Behnke and Ryan were excused by prior Board action.

PUBLIC HEARING CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Warfel called the 2010 Revenue Source and Benefit Charge Hearing to order at 4:36 p.m.

Commissioner Warfel read an opening statement from the Hearing Process Overview pamphlet that was distributed to Board Members and Secretary Gratzler. A copy will be placed on file with these minutes.

Consultant Paul Witt presented the 2010 Operational Budget Projection prepared as of September 28, 2010. The anticipated 2010 ending balance of the expense fund is \$1,317,973.08.

The 2011 estimated revenue needs were outlined, which include the operating budget and debt reduction commitments for a total estimated need with annexation of \$5,657,434.00, and without annexation of \$5,305,266.00.

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An estimate of 2011 revenue sources was provided based on documentation from King County's levy limit worksheet, BLS allocation, Valley Medical Center allocation and other sources such as excess levy bond collections.

Consultant Paul Witt outlined the District's desire to maintain the current level of emergency medical and fire protection. Paul Witt recommends that the Board set the limit factor for the regular levy at the maximum allowable pursuant to RCW 84.55.090.

Consultant Paul Witt read a statement regarding the 2011 Benefit Charge from the pamphlet. Recommendations for the 2011 Benefit Charge amounts are based upon the outcome of the ballot issue concerning the proposed Fairwood annexation to the City of Renton on November 2, 2010. It is recommended that the 2011 Benefit Charge be established at a rate of \$0.00 should the Fairwood annexation ballot measure pass. This figure is a \$1,499,324.00 decrease from the total Benefit Charge amount requested in 2010 and accounts for 0% of the projected 2011 District operational expenses.

It is recommend that the Board establish the 2011 Benefit Charge at a rate not to exceed \$1,929,222.00, should the Fairwood annexation ballot measure fail, and that is apportioned based upon occupancy type and required fire flow formulas. This figure is a \$429,898.00 increase from the Benefit Charge amount requested in 2010 and accounts for approximately 40.9% of the projected 2011 District operational expenses, well below the 60% statutory limit.

Linda Sartnurak inquired as to why the ½ year and full year budgets are similar.

Consultant Witt explained that the City of Renton can't levy taxes to the annexation area in 2011. In order the fund the Fairwood area, the District must levy the taxes. In the event of annexation, the City is able to collect taxes levied by the District.

Linda Sartnurak asked why the \$191,000.00 Capital Budget was excluded from the ½ year budget.

Consultant Paul Witt explained that in the event the District no longer exists, the District doesn't need to levy additional taxes to fund future capital purchases.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Violante and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Price to set the 2011 Fire Benefit Charge at a not to exceed amount of \$1,929,222.00. **The MOTION CARRIED (3-0).**

The Fire Benefit Charge resolution will be presented for adoption at the November 12, 2010 Board meeting

Commissioner Warfel declared the hearings closed at 4:52 p.m.

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REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Warfel reconvened the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for King County Fire Protection District 40 at 4:52 p.m. with those listed above in attendance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Resolution 473:

Consultant Paul Witt presented Resolution 473 - Resolution Commending Sandra J. Haydock for 25 Years of Service.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Price and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Violante to adopt Resolution 473 - Resolution Commending Sandra J. Haydock for 25 Years of Service. **The MOTION CARRIED (3-0).**

CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no citizen comments.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Financial reports were provided to the Board.

Financial reports are available to the public upon written request.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Safety/Support Services:

The asbestos tainted panels at Station 17 were successfully removed and the subassembly damage was repaired. The fascia has been entirely replaced, allowing for the final flashing of the roof. The project is expected to be complete this week, weather permitting. No new issues were discovered during this week.

The aid unit should be delivered by the end of November. Deputy Chief Wallgren will coordinate with commissioners interested in participating in the delivery.

Response Operations:

Deputy Chief Erik Wallgren presented the Fire District 40 Incident Type report for September 2010. The report includes the number of responses by responses type and transport data.

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A copy of the Incident Type report is on file with the minutes.

Significant Incidents:

There were no significant incidents to report.

Office of the Fire Chief:

The Battalion Chief/SO attended the Elliot Farm and Fairwood Greens homeowner's association meetings in October. The HOA handout is attached.

Members of the Department are wearing pink t-shirts in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The program is voluntary, but the majority of the department's personnel are wearing pink shirts instead of the usual navy through October 28, 2010. Proceeds from the t-shirt sales, purchased by the participating members, benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (continued):

Commissioner Position No. 1:

No action will be taken on filling Position 1 until Commissioner Violante formally resigns.

Commissioner Violante announced that he expects to formally resign at the first meeting in November.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting – October 14, 2010
- b. Expense Fund Vouchers No. 10026-10013, 10026-10033 Amount \$1,926,890.15

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Price and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Violante to approve the consent calendar as presented. The **MOTION CARRIED. (3-0)**

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no New Business.

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WORKGROUP REPORTS:

Capital Facilities/Equipment:

Commissioner Warfel reported that Facilities Director Peter Renner will continue to work with Verizon Wireless to discuss the possibility of attaching the amateur radio antenna to the cell tower at Station 17.

Commissioner Price stated that the cost for space on the cell tower is of particular interest.

Commissioner Price reported the workgroup is in favor of the recommendation from Deputy Chief Wallgren to donate the District's aid unit to the Puget Sound Skill Center.

To comply with laws for disposal, the aid unit will be advertised for sale on the WFCR website. If there are no interested buyers, the aid unit will be donated as recommended.

Community Relations:

There is nothing new to report at this time.

Finance:

There is nothing new to report at this time.

Policy:

There is nothing new to report at this time.

Risk Management:

There is nothing new to report at this time.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

There were no citizen comments.

ONCE AROUND THE TABLE:

Attorney Kinnon Williams stated that if the Fairwood annexation is successful there are several issues that will need to be resolved, including the 4 orphaned parcels served by the District.

There were no additional Board comments.

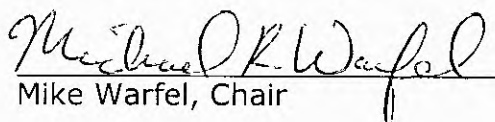
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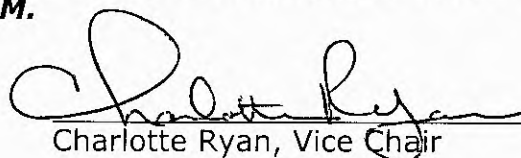
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board went into a one minute Executive Session at 5:10 p.m. to discuss potential litigation under guidelines of RCW 42.30.110. The Executive Session ended at 5:11 p.m.

There was no further business or discussion and the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on **Friday, November 12, 2010 at 4:30 P.M.**

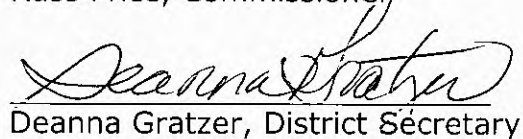

Mike Warfel, Chair


Charlotte Ryan, Vice Chair


Craig Violante, Commissioner


Russ Price, Commissioner


Ronnie Behnke, Commissioner


Deanna Gratzner, District Secretary

Attachments:

- Meeting Agenda
- Cash Transmittal
- Chief's Report
- Resolution 473
- Hearing Process Overview pamphlet