



**KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT 40
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
11/17/2016**

DATE: November 17, 2016

PURPOSE: Special Meeting

LOCATION: Fire Station 13, 18002 – 108th Ave SE, Renton

ATTENDANCE: **KCFD #40**

Commissioner Ryan
Commissioner Sartnurak
Commissioner Parsons
Commissioner Nichelson
Commissioner Little
Brian Snure, Attorney

PUBLIC

Craig Soucy
Anthony Venlanza

RENTON

Fire Chief Rick Marshall
Lieutenant Ryan Simonds,
Local 864
Jamie Thomas, Renton Finance
BC/SO Robert Homan
Lieutenant Neil Samuelsen
Lieutenant Steve Winter,
Local 864
Firefighter Dominick Shannon
Firefighter Chris Bracken
Firefighter Brett Bigger,
Local 864
Firefighter Chip Slothower
Firefighter Jim Eastwood

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair Ryan called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for King County Fire Protection District #40 to order at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to adopt the required resolutions to levy 2017 property taxes and fire benefit charge for submission to King County.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes – October 13, 2016

Approval of Minutes– October 20, 2016

Commissioner Nichelson made a **motion** to approve both sets of Minutes; **seconded** by Commissioner Sartnurak. **Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

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CITIZEN COMMENT:

Although citizen comments were not on the special meeting agenda, the department's attorney stated that they could be heard if the Board agreed.

- Craig Soucy addressed the Board with his concerns about lowering the number of personnel at Station 17. A few years ago, he personally knocked on doors to get the Fire Benefit Charge passed. He was concerned that no input from the citizens was solicited prior to lowering the number of personnel. He requested that prior to dropping the number of personnel, the Board address the issue with the citizens.
- Anthony Venlanza addressed the Board on his concerns about not having a citizen vote prior to deciding to lower the number of personnel at Station 17. He informed the Board that if they wanted to have a vote, he would be willing to speak to his neighbors and do any doorbelling necessary.
- Commissioner Nichelson stated her concerns about approving and moving forward with the resolutions and budget for 2017 due to information she has been made aware of since the prior meeting. This information is around the citizen's voice being heard in a special town hall meeting explaining the benefits of a 4 person engine back when this first was approved. It was due to the citizen's voice being heard that this was originally passed because of a large population of District 40 citizen's wanting it. Commissioner Nichelson's concern is moving forward in reducing from a 4 person to 3-person engine without going back to the citizens to understand what they want.
- Commissioner Parsons commented that they needed to pass the budget this evening, so even if they had to tap their reserves to make up the \$178,000 shortfall, they could address it at a later date.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 522 – 2017 Limit Factor Increase: Commissioner Parsons made a **motion** to adopt the resolution; **seconded** by Commissioner Sartnurak. **Motion passed unanimously (5-0)**

Resolution No. 523 – 2017 Property Tax Increase: Commissioner Ryan made a **motion** to adopt the resolution; **seconded** by Commissioner Little. **Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

Resolution No. 524 – 2017 Property Tax Levy: Commissioner Little made a **motion** to adopt the resolution; **seconded** by Commissioner Parsons. **Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

Resolution No. 525 – 2017 Benefit Charge: Commissioner Parsons made a **motion** to adopt the resolution; **seconded** by Commissioner Sartnurak. **Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

Copies of the resolutions are filed with the minutes.

SPECIAL MEETING:

Commissioner Little requested a special meeting to discuss the administrative contract services the District is currently receiving and scheduled to be discontinued by the City of Renton at the beginning of next year. The Board agreed to hold a special meeting on December 1 at 5:00 PM to explore their options.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was no further business or discussion and the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

A special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on Thursday, **December 1, 2016 at 5:00 P.M.**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on **Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 5:00 P.M.**


Cheryl Nicholson, Commissioner


Linda Sartnurak, Commissioner


Steve Parsons, Commissioner


Ronnie Little, Commissioner


Charlotte Ryan, Chair

Julie Bray, Board Secretary

Attachments: Resolution No. 522 – 2017 Limit Factor Increase
Resolution No. 523 – 2017 Property Tax Increase
Resolution No. 524 – 2017 Property Tax Levy
Resolution No. 525 – 2017 Benefit Charge