

## **SNOHOMISH COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 21**

Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 @6:30 p.m.

@Arlington Heights Improvement Club

**Call to Order:** Chairman Safford called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**Attendees:** Chairman Safford, Commissioners Nordstrom & Taft, Chief Schmidt and Executive Assistant Tiner. There was 1 Crew and 1 Citizen present.

**Flag Salute:** Commissioner Taft led the flag salute.

**Public Input:** Laura Hofmann invited everyone to the Improvement Club's Bingo/White Elephant event on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Volunteer Input:** Lt. Jim Welch reported that things are going well. Good attendance recently at Drill nights.

### **Consent Agenda:**

- 1) Approval of minutes from December 9, 2019, Regular meeting
- 2) Payroll: December = \$79,175.73
- 3) Financials: \$168,291.58

***Commissioner Nordstrom made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 1–3 as presented.***

***Commissioner Taft seconded; Motion carried by unanimous vote.***

Commissioner Taft suggested checking with the State to obtain free State workplace posters.

### **New Business:**

Selection of Chairman and Vice Chairman –

***Chairman Safford made a motion to appoint Ed Taft Chairman for 2020. Commissioner Nordstrom seconded; Motion carried by unanimous vote.***

***Commissioner Safford made a motion to appoint Eric Nordstrom Vice Chairman for 2020. Chairman Taft seconded; Motion carried by unanimous vote.***

### **Old Business:**

Station 50 Update –

- Chief Schmidt and Project Manager Cargile are reviewing the TCA contract. Disagreement on how TCA is calculating their fees.
- The meeting with the City was cancelled due to the bad weather.
- Land clearing will begin in the Spring. Ms. Cargile will file for the permits.
- Chairman Safford looked over the floorplan and determined it can't be made any smaller.

- Chief recommends moving forward, but do not need to accept the highest bid if we do not like the price.
- Commissioner Nordstrom recommended we do not go too low on the bids, leave room for contingencies.
- Chairman Taft expressed concern about moving forward until we know about the water.
- Discussion held.

Station 49 Remodel –

- Hope to move the Crews back in on Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Solid Rock Granite offered to install new counter tops in the kitchen at cost.
- Purchased lockers and chairs.
- Change Order for shelves for work desk and nightstands.
- Working on the outside sign
- Purchasing workout equipment for approximately \$6,000.

Chief's Contract – Some minor edits were suggested.

***Commissioner Safford made a motion to approve Chief Chad Schmidt's Contract with minor edits. Commissioner Nordstrom seconded; Motion carried by unanimous vote.***

New Business cont'd. –

Resolution 2020-01–Meeting Date Change –

***Commissioner Safford made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-01-Meeting Date Change. Commissioner Nordstrom seconded; Motion carried by unanimous vote.***

Resolution 2020-02–Participation in State Deferred Comp Program –

***Commissioner Safford made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-02–Participation in State Deferred Comp Program. Commissioner Nordstrom seconded; Motion carried by unanimous vote.***

Chief/Secretary Reports:

- Not too many weather-related calls. Crews did a great job on MVA's.
- Have a good working relationship with the City in regards to the employee swap. FF Bates doing well in the City, learning a lot.
- Silvana FD asked to list District #21 on their Run Cards, which was okay'd.
- Talking with other FD agencies regarding a regional Mechanic.
- Apparatus Report –
  - The new Hovercraft will be here by end of the month.
  - The Road Rescue Rig is almost ready to go.
  - Looking for a used flatbed truck to be used as a Brush Truck. Roy Robinson may have something that works.
  - FF Koeppen applied for a \$13,000 Grant for a Skid Unit. We still have \$33,000 of the Grant received from the Tribe.

- Equipment Report –
  - Bought a new thermal imaging camera; the old one died.
  - Got new SCBA masks.
  - Going in on a Grant with Marysville and Granite Falls FDs for SCBA's.
- Training –
  - Volunteer driver training – Spoke with VFIS Insurance for advice on insured, if can grandfather those with previous training. Will train new people with the new insurance.
  - Technical Rescue – Darrington FD, Silvana FD and District #21 will host a Technical Rescue training event because some other Agencies are bowing out of the program. FFs N. Welch and Spenser will be trained.

**Commissioner Report –**

- Chairman Taft reported on a fire call he responded on.
- Commissioner Nordstrom thanked Executive Assistant Tiner for doing a good job planning the District's Banquet. The Chief would like to encourage the attendance of more of the Retirees.
- Commissioner Safford will be attending Legislative Day in Olympia January 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Announcements:**

- Next Regular Commissioner meeting Monday, February 10, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at the Arlington Heights Improvement Club

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

**Minutes Approved By:**

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Chairman Taft

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Commissioner Nordstrom

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Commissioner Safford

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Fire Chief/Board Secretary Schmidt