



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

SRFR Station 31 Training Room/ Via Blue Jeans
163 Village Court, Monroe, WA 98272
April 28, 2022 1730 hours

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Elmore called the meeting to order at 1730 hours, also in attendance were Commissioner Edwards, Commissioner Fay, Commissioner Schaub, Commissioner Steinruck and Commissioner Waugh. Absent with previous notice Commissioner Gagnon.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief O'Brien thanked all in attendance. He expressed his appreciation of input given by citizens during the last few meetings. Chief O'Brien stated a plan has been drafted to bring all Firefighters back to duty. It will be proposed at today's meeting.

Chief O'Brien introduced Penny Coyne and asked her to share her good news. After watching the memorial service for Officer Dan Rocha, Ms. Coyne was moved to contact the organization Tunnel to Tower Foundation. The Tunnel to Tower Foundation offers a Fallen First Responder Home Program in which the foundation will pay the balance of the mortgage of the fallen officer. The Dan Rocha Family was submitted by Ms. Coyne and has been accepted as recipients. Thank you, Ms. Coyne, for your action.

****Crew Special Recognition:*** East Battalion C-Shift presented a Citizen award to Mackenzie Lindell for her humanity towards her neighbor. Thank you, Ms. Lindell, for exceeding the expectations of neighborly.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment was given in support of bringing back Firefighters that have been off duty due to the Vaccine Mandate Proclamation 21-14.

UNION COMMENT: Union President Fisher thanked the organization for working with the IAFF to develop a plan to bring all of our firefighters back to duty. He urged the Board of Commissioners to support the proposal.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Finance Committee report: Commissioner Elmore provided the highlights from the meeting which included GEMT reimbursement, Resolutions 2022-2 and 2022-3, Post-retirement medical leave and electronic signature policy.

Sno911: Commissioner Waugh commented on featured topics from the meeting held on April 21, they included: 2021 fund carryover, new dispatch center funding, county-wide public safety radio system upgrade, re-examination of Station 83 radio tower continuance, and Assistance Chief Guptill and Commissioner Waugh remaining on Sno911 Board of Directors.



CONSENT AGENDA

Approve Vouchers

AP Vouchers: 22-02108 to 22-02200; (\$165,231.14)

Benefits Vouchers: 22-02099 to 22-02107; (\$710,827.85)

Approval of Payroll

April 15, 2022 (\$1,221,626.56)

Approval of Minutes

Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes - April 14, 2022

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted.

Motion by Commissioner **Steinruck** and 2nd by Commissioner Schaub.

On Vote, Motion carried 6/0.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion

Board Policy: Chief O'Brien reported on the continuing work being done to create a Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue Board Policy. It was vetted through the Finance Committee with a few changes suggested. Process will be continuing.

Action

Budget Amendment #1

Motion to approve Budget Amendment #1 as submitted.

Motion by Commissioner Waugh and 2nd by Commissioner Edwards.

On Vote, Motion carried 6/0.

Resolution 2022-01 Surplus List

Motion to approve Resolution 2022-01 Surplus list.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards and 2nd by Commissioner Fay.

On Vote, Motion carried 6/0.

Vaccine Mandate

Motion to approve the Fire Chief and staff to reevaluate what reasonable accommodations the District can provide to individuals with a disability or sincerely held religious beliefs that prevent them from receiving the COVID-19 vaccination so that those employees may be able to return to operational duty in compliance with Proclamation 21-14.

Motion by Commissioner Waugh and 2nd by Commissioner Steinruck.

On Vote, Motion carried 6/0.



NEW BUSINESS

Discussion

Electronic and Authorized Signature Policy: Business Administrator Schoof overviewed the policy. Recommend move to action next Board meeting.

Board Meeting Date Change: Due to a conflict in scheduling with the May 26, 2022 Board of Commissioners meeting and the Chief's Conference, a decision was made to change the meeting date to Tuesday, May 31, 2022.

Resolution 2022-02 Close Training Center Fund: CFO Tabor requested we close the Training Center Fund due to the selling of the training center property and we transfer the nominal balance to the Construction Fund.

Resolution 2022-03 Close PFML Fund: PFML is being managed by the state, the fund is no longer needed recommend move to action next board meeting.

Pacific Northwest Seismic Network Partnership: Chief O' Brien explained to the Board the request to install a sensor for early warnings due to an earthquake while partnering with PNSN. This is at no cost to the district.

Action

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ATTENDANCE CHECK: All Board Members noted availability for the Regular Commissioner Meeting May 12, 2022 at 1730 - Station 31 Training Room/BlueJeans.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Elmore adjourned the meeting at 1803 hours.

Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue

Commissioner Rick Edwards

Chairman Troy Elmore

Vice Chairman Randy Fay