



**SNOHOMISH COUNTY
CONSOLIDATED FIRE
DISTRICTS 26 & 28**

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Business Meeting Minutes, December 13, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 19:03. Present were Commissioner Chair Bill Tubbs, Vice Commissioner Chair Pat Sample, and Commissioners Molly Olson, Kate Hayes, Michelle Adie, Mike Moore, Dean Johnson, Tim Folsom, and Leigh Christianson. Also present were Chief Eric Andrews, Assistant Chief Ernie Walters, and Secretary Karen McPeters (Recorder). The absence of Commissioner Doug Rupp was excused.

Public Commentary: There was no public commentary.

Chief's Report

EMAC Request for CA: 13 states have responded to California's EMAC (Emergency Management Assistance Compact), for the current fires. 2 engines were sent, and the FD 26 personnel have agreed to extend their deployment, since CA is requesting additional resources. Total payroll for these mobilizations will be reimbursed, along with L&I and Medicaid for the firefighters responding.

Radio Upgrades: A pending radio service upgrade to P-25 digital radio system is anticipated to cost around 75 million dollars countywide. Pat and Leigh attended a meeting of the Sno-Isle Commissioners, and participated in a discussion of various funding ideas. The FD 26/28 commissioners decided to support a .1% sales tax proposal for Snohomish County, and advisory resolutions in support of this proposal were drafted and signed, and will be sent to Richard Schrock, Commissioner, FD 1.

Medical Services Administrator: Robin Vargas plans to retire as Medical Services Administrator, and letters of interest are being accepted from our current medics.

Surplus Sale: The surplus sale netted just over \$1200. The unsold items will be donated to a non profit organization.

New Firefighters: Six firefighter candidates will be interviewed this month.

Lucas Device: A Lucas device to provide long term chest compressions for patients in cardiac arrest has been purchased, and the EMTs will begin training in its use.

Drone Training: Two firefighters went to a drone class in OR to receive training and to prepare for the FAA Drone Operators test. They both felt that the class was expensive, and not worth the cost. Three other firefighters canceled their registration for the class, and will use online materials to prepare for the test instead.

High Speed Internet: Station 55 has gone to high speed internet, with a goal of linking all 3 stations.

Secretary's Report

Merger Timeline: The district is advertising for participants in Pro and Con committees for the merger ballot measure.

Consent Agenda

Vouchers: Bill moved to approve District 26/28 vouchers 636-2017 through 681-2017 (Secretary's note: 670-2017 was accidentally excluded, and was sent in as a separate AP run later in the week), for a total of \$87,978.35. With a second from Mike, the motion passed unanimously.

Pat moved to approve District 28 voucher 17-080 in the amount of 6,838.53, and with a second from Leigh, the motion passed unanimously

Payroll: Bill moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$78,015.19 and with a second from Michelle, the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Molly moved to approve the minutes from the November 8 Consolidated District 26/28 meeting, and with a second from Pat, the motion passed unanimously.

Action Items

Commissioner Compensation: Bill moved to begin paying the \$114/mo Fire Commissioner Compensation into Med VEBA funds for each commissioner, beginning on Jan 1, 2018, and with a second from Mike, the motion passed unanimously.

District 26 Advisory Resolution: Bill moved to approve advisory resolution 10-2017, recommending that the Snohomish County Council approve a .1% increase in sales tax countywide to finance upgrades to emergency radios. With a second from Kate, the motion passed unanimously and was signed.

District 28 Advisory Resolution: Pat moved to approve advisory resolution 2017-07, recommending that the Snohomish County Council approve a .1% increase in sales tax countywide to finance upgrades to emergency radios. With a second from Leigh, the motion passed unanimously and was signed.

Other Business

Retirements: Bob Delveccio will be retiring. Pat Sample will be retiring as a volunteer, but will continue to serve on the Board of Commissioners.

Sample Foundation Grant: The Sample Foundation has generously donated \$5000 to be dedicated to educational grants.

The next meeting of the combined District 26/28 will be on January 10 at 19:00 at Station 53 in Gold Bar.

Meeting adjourned at 20:29.