

**THURSTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT THREE**

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**May 2, 2019**

Present:

Chair Wilson

Vice Chair Dobry

Commissioner Ryder

Commissioner Roberts

Commissioner Kirkbride

**I. CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE**

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and followed with a salute to our Nations flag.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:** To accept the agenda as presented.

Motion: Commissioner Kirkbride

Second: Commissioner Dobry

Carried: Unanimous

**III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC / MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chris Clem, Olympic Ambulance Director, noted that their quarterly blood drive will be on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May in honor of EMS Week. He stated Ambulance 2 was back out at Station 32 after the flooring was redone – he noted the new floors look fantastic and they appreciate being able to partner with LFD and have a rig at that station.

**IV. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Draft minutes of the April 18, 2019 meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

B. Warrants

- General fund 001 (Acct#6630) checks numbered #21270 through #21295 in the amount of \$150,045.28
- 2017 Capital Improvement Project fund 306 (Acct#6639) checks numbered #21296 through #21298 in the amount of \$16,040.81

C. Payroll #04B-19 in the amount of \$387,036.92.

Commissioner Dobry inquired about the more than \$120,000 warrant for VFIS; Deputy Chief Cox noted it was for the District's insurance.

**MOTION:** To accept the consent agenda as presented.

Motion: Commissioner Kirkbride

Second: Commissioner Ryder

Carried: Unanimous

## V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### A. Thurston County Medic One E.M.S. Council

Commissioner Kirkbride reported the budget committee for next 2-year budget cycle has been formed, and he has again been appointed to the committee. Their first meeting is the 17<sup>th</sup> of May.

Deputy Chief Cox noted the letter on the Certificate of Need had been sent to Department of Health, and that the City of Lacey also sent a letter.

### B. Thurston 9-1-1 Communications (TCOMM) Administration Board

Chair Wilson reported ESSB5272 passed and is awaiting signature on the governor's desk. She noted the next step, after signature and the waiting period, is to request the County Commissioners to put it onto the ballot. TCOMM is hoping to have the issue on the November ballot.

### C. City / District Liaison

No report. Next meeting is in June.

### D. Thurston County Fire Commissioners Association

No report from the County Commissioners, but Commissioner Dobry reported the following from the State Fire Commissioners meeting:

- Health care report
  - The first quarter paid out 96.8% of what was budgeted as revenue; they are cautiously optimistic the rates will remain stable.
  - A new branding logo for the healthcare program has been adopted; agencies might begin to notice a different letterhead, etc.
  - The Committee is discussing reimbursement or payment for firefighter physicals; they received a good number of responses to the survey. What was noted is that there is no standard, and

agencies manage the issue differently. Commissioner Dobry reported he suggested consideration for at least reimbursing to the average spent.

- The healthcare workshops will be held this fall in Olympia, Spokane and at conference.
- Insurance for county associations – the state association has re-secured insurance that the county associations can access for \$250 per year beginning in September.
- Training and Education
  - 2019 Seminar Series at the Clearwater had about 70 attendees. The venue has been secured for next spring as well.
  - The training event in Chelan in June has 200+ registrations already.
  - Conference sites for the next several years were secured; they will alternate between the Davenport in Spokane and the Tulalip in Seattle area. This year it is at the Tulalip, next year Spokane. Pre-registration has been set at \$340
  - The education committee is meeting in June to establish the conference agenda.
  - Items are being sought for the raffle.
- Succession planning continues for the two office staff that are retiring this year. They hope to hire before the retirements to ensure training.
- Legislation
  - All risk mobilization legislation passed with no sunset.
  - The WFCFA is working on the paid family medical leave regarding it's applicability to Fire Commissioners
- Another tenant is leaving the Commissioner office building, creating another office vacancy.

E. Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC)

No meeting. Next meeting May 3, 2019.

F. Community Outreach Status report  
Staff

1. HOA meetings on:

- April 25<sup>th</sup> - Kensington at St 31; Commissioner Wilson attended with about 33 citizens. The citizens asked about fall prevention training resources.