

**King County Fire District 44  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
July 22, 2008**

- I. Meeting Called to Order.** Commissioner James Farrell called the regularly scheduled meeting of the board of commissioners to order at 18:34 hours.
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| <u>Present from District 44</u>          | <u>Present from District 17</u> |
| Commissioner James Farrell               | n/a                             |
| Commissioner F. Dan Bjurstrom (by phone) |                                 |
| Commissioner Phil Hamilton               |                                 |
| Commissioner Joanne Seng                 |                                 |

Commissioner Fredrick Heistuman had an excused absence. Also present were Chief Smith, Deputy Chief Mike Barlow and Secretary Pamela Ratcliffe.

Union Representative: Karl Hangartner

The meeting was held at District 44 Headquarters, Station 95, 32316 – 148<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Auburn, Wa. 98092.

- II. Pledge of Allegiance.** Commissioner James Farrell led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Approval of Agenda.**  
Commissioner Phillip Hamilton made a motion to approve the agenda.  
Commissioner Joanne Seng seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- IV. Consent Agenda.**  
Commissioner James Farrell called for approval of the consent agenda, which includes minutes of July 8, 2008 and the vouchers. Commissioner Phillip Hamilton made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Joanne Seng seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REVIEW DATE: July 22, 2008  
FOR VOUCHER PERIOD: July 16, 2008 through July 31, 2008

| Period                                       | Voucher # | Amount | Total      |
|--|-----------|--------|------------|
| July 2 half-Operations                       |           | 53372  | 49,196.80  |
| July 2 half-Payroll                          |           |        | 109,434.38 |
| July 2 half-Payroll Volunteer Reimbursements |           |        | 20,955.75  |
| July 2 half-Volunteers Operations            |           | 53517  | 1,804.11   |
|  |           |        |            |
| <b>Total</b>                                 |           |        | 181,391.04 |

**V. Account Balance Report.** Will review budget changes for 2008 in August as well as 2009 budget preview.

**VI. Budget Expenditure Report.** Spring tax payment has been made and forwarded to Valley Regional Fire Authority. 2<sup>nd</sup> and final payment will be made after tax collection in October 2008. Tax payment will be less non-voted indebtedness in relation to the State of Washington Local loans currently in place through June 2010.

**VII. Public Comment.** n/a

**Union Comment.** n/a

**VII. Chief's Report.**

1. **Investment Pool.** Board provided with updated information received from King County Investment pool. The pool has realized a 60% return on investments. This will indicate a decreased value for all pool recipients.

2. **Incident Responses.** With NHRA and WRA concerts this past weekend the district had approximately 70,000 people within borders. With this, there were still no significant events. Two people were airlifted from PIR with minor injuries.

3. **City of Black Diamond.** The district is working with the city on their disaster plans. We will also be meeting with the city to re-negotiate the contract between the district and the city.

Upcoming events are the Xterra Triathlon and a Large Animal Rescue class.

**VII. Joint Business 44/17.** n/a

**IX. Old Business.**

1. **Station 96 replacement.** Chief Young is preparing a list of final repair items that need to be addressed, not necessarily associated with the flood from October 2007. L&I will be scheduled for final review. This should be completed by the end of August 2008.

Local 3186 attorney's request for documents has been completed.

2. **Bond 08.** Foster, Pepper, Attorney Jim McNeill forwarded contractual agreement for Bond services. Resolution to be passed this meeting. This will start the timeline of events leading to the November election.

3. **Enumclaw/28.** n/a

4. **Lea Hill taxes.** Refer to budget expenditure report. Chief Smith will continue to fill out Levy paperwork with the county until non-voted taxes are no longer relevant.

**X. New Business.**

**1. Appointment of Commissioner, vacant position #3. Resolution 08-430.**

Commissioner Phillip Hamilton made a motion to appoint Joanne Seng to commissioner position #3. Commissioner F. Dan Bjurstrom seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ms. Seng was sworn into office.

**2. Resolution 08-431 increasing the daily compensation for Fire Commissioners.**

Commissioner Phillip Hamilton made a motion to appoint Joanne Seng to commissioner position #3. Commissioner F. Dan Bjurstrom seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**3. Resolution 08-429. Bond Approval for November election 2008.**

Commissioner Phillip Hamilton made a motion to approve bond request to acquire fire fighting and life saving equipment and renovate fire stations. Commissioner Joanne Seng seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chief Smith will confirm timeline and calendar events that need to be completed.

**XI. Commissioners Report.**

1. **Healthcare Workshop.** Health care workshop scheduled for August 21, 2008. Commissioner Farrell, Pamela Ratcliffe, and Captain James Martin will attend.

**Executive Session.** 1903-1910. No decisions were made.

**XII. Signing of documents.** The commissioners signed approved documents.

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Farrell asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Phillip Hamilton made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Joanne Seng seconded the motion. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1911.

The next regular meeting at Station 95, August 12, 2008 – 1830 hours.

The next joint meeting at Station 95, August 26, 2008 – 1830 hours

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Pamela Ratcliffe, Secretary

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James Farrell, Chairperson/Commissioner

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Phillip Hamilton, Commissioner

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Frederick Heistuman, Commissioner

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F. Dan Bjurstrom, Commissioner (phone)

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Joanne Seng, Commissioner