

**King County Fire District 44  
Scheduled Board of Commissioner Meeting  
April 14, 2015**

**ORIGINAL**

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Commissioner Farrell called the regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 6:30 P.M.

**PRESENT FROM DISTRICT 44**

Commissioner Jim Farrell  
Commissioner Dan Bjurstrom  
Commissioner Cathie McKinney  
Commissioner Joanne Seng  
Commissioner Mark Clayton

Chief Smith  
Deputy Chief Barlow  
Darrol Iverson, Union President  
Four Fire Fighters

The meeting was held at District 44 Station 95 – 32316 148<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Auburn 98002

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, UNITED STATES FLAG**

Commissioner Farrell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Seng moved to approve agenda. Commissioner McKinney seconded. Motion carried.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes for approval – March 24, 2014 Board Meeting  
(Minutes for February 21 SPECIAL Meeting with Black Diamond Tabled)

Commissioner McKinney made a motion to approve. Commissioner Clayton seconded.  
Motion carried.

**V. ACCOUNT BALANCE REPORT**

Deputy Chief Barlow emailed this report to the Board on Friday. He pointed out that the new three year contract payment for defibrillator services will be paid on a quarterly basis in advance rather than annually as in the past.

		January	February	March	April
1st	Vouchers	80,093	18,588	34,871	139,681
1st	Payroll	144,940	122,372	123,058	131,260
2nd	Vouchers	86,287	82,073	93,490	
2nd	Payroll	213,809	116,074	127,559	
<b>Totals</b>					
	payroll	358,749	238,446	250,617	131,260
	Vouchers	166,380	100,661	128,361	139,681
	<b>Total</b>	<b>525,129</b>	<b>339,107</b>	<b>378,978</b>	<b>270,941</b>

**VI. Voucher Report**

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**UNION COMMENT**

A meeting was scheduled with Chief Smith, Deputy Chief Barlow to discuss staffing.

**VIII. CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Greg Smith presented a PowerPoint report, which is incorporated by reference and reviews Personnel, Facilities, Vehicles, Equipment, Budget and Major Incidents/Responses.

Emergency Responses: Total Incidents: 3/24/15 - 4/14/15 average per day 4.14  
EMS - 71

South King County home sales are up 43.5%

Chief Smith has not had a response from Yarrow Bay regarding their future plans. Commissioner McKinney reported that some excavation has started. Chief Smith will investigate.

CERT – Business Cards are being printed with information on this volunteer program. Chief Smith will bring samples to the next Board Meeting.

**Calendar of events**

4/11/15 – Post-Retirement Meeting

5/5/15 – City/Fire District Ad Hoc Meeting, 6:30 Station 98

5/11/15 – Filing deadline to apply for Board Positions

6/6/15 – Seminar Campbell's Resort, Chelan on Risk Management. Contact Patty for Registration.

## **IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **1. Ad Hoc City/District Fire Committee (Report)**

The Ad Hoc meeting on 4/7 did not have representatives from Black Diamond in attendance. A future meeting is scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **2. District Newsletter**

Commissioner McKinney requested to have the current webpage either updated or disconnected.

A handout listing objectives for the newsletter was distributed for review along with suggestions regarding access and distribution. Commissioner Bjurstrom expressed concern regarding what process will be in place to keep the information current.

Commissioners McKinney, Clayton, Chief Smith and Tim P. will meet to discuss an overview of the costs and review objectives.

### **3. PESERN (800 Mhz replacement)**

This is on the ballot and publicity is good.

### **4. Capital Improvement Plans (report)**

Generator bid closes 4/21/15 – Deputy Chief Barlow will review bids and share with the Board at the next meeting on 4/28/15.

Station 97 contract is being updated and moving forward with completion mid to late summer.

### **5. Post-Retirement Medical (report)**

On-going discussion to bridge the gap of medical coverage between retirement and the beginning of Medicare. The committee looked at several plans and is still gathering policy information from other districts along with searching for a way to fund this benefit. The goal is to find a solution that would help those planning to retire in the next 1-7 years and that would have incentive for new hires to save their sick leave to be cashed out later. (ex VEBA).

### **6. Strategic Plan (report)**

Ongoing SWOT need to schedule with Volunteers.

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Staffing Discussions, Career**

Chief Smith presented several bar graphs to clearly visualize the impact of sick leave on the amount of overtime used. As the two new hires move from the three-man crew to two-man crew the need for overtime should be reduced by 45%. The new hires are in the final stages of training – more information at the next board meeting as to when they will be ready for the two man crew positions.

Commissioner Farrell will establish a committee to review staffing options as we move forward.

**Commissioners Report**

Commissioner Bjurstrom requested a refresher on our relationship with the Muckleshoot and their contributions.

**Signing of documents**

March 24, 2015 Board Minutes signed

**BOARD MEETING ADJOURN**

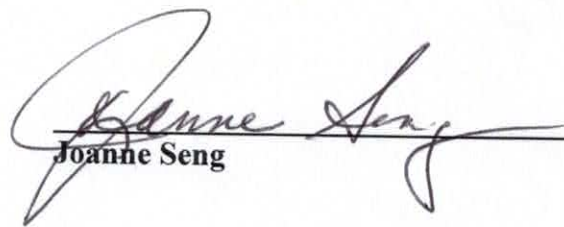
Commissioner Clayton made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. Commissioner Seng seconded. Motion carried meeting adjourned @ 8:25 P.M.

Next meeting April 28, 2015 @ Station 95 – 32316 148<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Auburn WA 98092

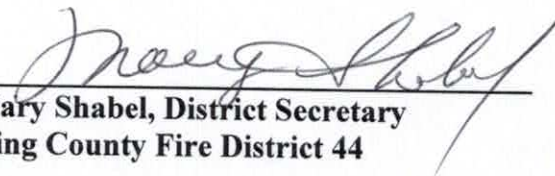
  
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