



**North County Regional Fire Authority
 COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
 STANWOOD / STATION 99
 October 28, 2015
 4pm**

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The following attendees were present:

Commissioners	
X	Larry Longley, Chair
X	Greg Oakes, Vice-Chair
X	Jeff Sinker
X	David Fennell
X	Janet Iverson
X	Al Ashley

Fire Authority Staff	
X	John C. Cermak, Fire Chief
X	Ian Phipps, Firefighter
X	Andy Helms, Captain
X	Will King, Firefighter
X	Joel Smith, Battalion Chief
X	Katie Ellis, Board Secretary

Meeting called to Order at: **16:02pm** by Commissioner Longley.

All Six Commissioners were present

FLAG SALUTE: Done during Dist.14 Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the Agenda

1st: Commissioner Sinker 2nd Commissioner Oakes

DISCUSSION: None

APPROVED: Unanimous

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

1st: Commissioner Iverson 2nd Commissioner Fennell

DISCUSSION: None

APPROVED: Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS:

eCIVIS

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Oakes tells the Commission regarding the recent successes of Darrington using eCIVIS and he believes that further discussion regarding this amongst the Commission should happen to ensure we don't miss out on funds that could be available. It is not budgeted for 2015; however the funds are available in other areas that could be used.

NEW BUSINESS:

Treasurer's Report

Randy Krumm, Finance Manager, provided an overview of the status of NCRFA's budget YTD and will review in further detail during the November 6th Budget Workshop

November 11th Meeting

November 11th is a holiday as well as a regular Commission meeting date. Decision has been made to reschedule this meeting for 9am Friday November 6, 2015.



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CHIEF'S REPORT

- Commissioner Fennell, Oakes, and I met with the labor group on several occasions regarding negotiations.
- A lot of time and work continues to be spent developing negotiation scenarios and reviewing the CBA for necessary changes moving forward.
 - The district conducted two EMS Levy meetings; one at Station 90 and one at Station 97. No one attended either meeting, but crews had the stations cleaned and prepped for the occasion.
- Liz Loomis continues to communicate and prepare for the EMS Levy. We met several times on a teleconference and to discuss moving forward.
- Comm. Fennel, Comm. Longley and I attended the Candidates Forum held at Stanwood Middle School.
- Continued work on the Regional SCBA grant was conducted over the past two weeks.
- Randy and I worked on preparing a 2016 Budget Analysis for a Budget retreat. The dates for the event have been posted for November 6/7 if necessary. There is still a lot to be done for us to prepare.
- The Disaster Preparedness annual tabletop exercise will be held on November 5 at Station 99. Additional training will be conducted with DEM on November 12, preparing for any potential floods within the district.
- SnoPac transitioned over to New World yesterday. Crews did a great job focusing on the responses as everyone was unsure how many issues would arise due to the transition. Different agencies managed to have some issues, but overall it is going well from what I have heard.
- We continued work on the Terrastar Lemon Law issue. I have communicated multiple times with Braun Northwest. International provided feedback that they would graciously refund some of our money for the services that we had to pay, but not all. They offered to fix the issue. The Attorney General was contacted and we can allow them to fix the issue if we so choose or we can move forward with the Lemon Law. It will go to arbitration if we choose the later. Do we want to go to arbitration or give them an opportunity to fix it? The AG says that we have full right and justification to move forward with the Lemon Law as we have already given them the chance to fix it on nine other occasions.
- We have begun the process of reviewing the Community Emergency Management Plan and ILA between Snohomish County Department of Emergency Services and the City of Stanwood.
- I continued work with the joint SCBA grant to attempt to capitalize on grant funding to address upcoming fixed asset mandatory replacements. Camano Island chose to apply individually. The Regional Grant will allow us to also apply for the new computers necessary for increased response outcomes through the new New World platform as an individual agency. Without the Regional opportunity we would have to choose between one or the other. At the Commissioners Conference, the East Snohomish Chiefs expressed that they may be interested in participating in the regional grant. I will reach out to Lake Stevens, Monroe, and District 7 for further inclusion.
- I attended the Town Meeting re: the Teen Suicides at Stanwood High School.
- A fact finding investigation was completed on a complaint re: a part time employee.
- While attending the Commissioner's Conference, I made contact with Enduris. They will be providing us with a cost analysis for service. They offer much more than VFIS, however I will check the implications of the current group through Comm. Sinker or Comm. Longley and current litigation as part of the due diligence. They believe that it could be up to a 20% savings.

LABOR LOCAL #4118 COMMENTS:

Will King provided a brief overview of how New World has been working for them so far. They are having to monitor their radios to ensure that no calls are being missed.

He reports that he has been hearing positive feedback regarding the re-chassis

The newest addition to the NCRFA family was born on the 26th, Alice Fleishbein.

And lastly, he reports that the negotiation meetings are moving along and making progress

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Al Ashley drafted a policy for the Finance Committee and it is currently working its way throughout the Committee, Fire Chief and staff for comments.



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CORRESPONDENCE:

Received a lot of thank you cards from the Saratoga Family Center for the department's visit to their school. Also received a thank you note addressed to Captain Helms thanking him for his service and help during a patient's medical emergency.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Katie has found her NIMS certification

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Commissioner Longley opened up public comments due to our guests coming to the meeting post the normal public comment period.

Mr. & Mrs. Lawny (sp) wanted to thank the Fire Dept. for their service and in making them feel safe in their community. They can tell by sitting in on this meeting that we are dedicated to serving our community.

Mr. Stogner would like to speak with Chief Cermak and Commissioner Sinker at a later time to discuss the service he is receiving in his Freeborn neighborhood.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The meeting broke for Executive Session at 16:37 and expected to last 10 minutes, to review the performance of a public employee per RCW 42.30.110(g). Executive Session was extended 10 more minutes, ending at 17:11 with no action taken.

The regular meeting was called to order again at 17:11.

ADJOURNMENT:

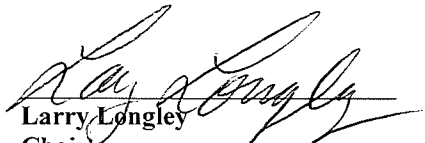
Motion to adjourn at 17:11

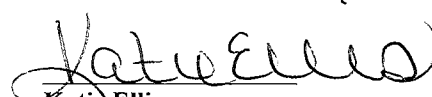
1st: Commissioner Oakes

2nd Commissioner Iverson

DISCUSSION: None

APPROVED: Unanimous


Larry Longley
Chair


Katie Ellis
Board Secretary