



North County Regional Fire Authority
COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
via ZOOM
August 11 , 2021
4:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

The following attendees were present:

COMMISSIONERS

~~Greg Oakes, Chair~~ Excused
~~Jan Iverson~~ Excused
Judy Williams
Ric Cade
Larry Longley, Vice-Chair
Rob Johnson

FIRE AUTHORITY STAFF

John Cermak, Fire Chief
~~Don Bartlett, Assistant Fire Chief~~
~~Mike Makela, Assistant Fire Chief~~
Katie Casey, Board Secretary
Randy Krumm, Finance Manager
Kayley Mizell, Administrative Assistant
Doug ten Hoopen, Temp. Project Manager

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm

Marilyn Oertle, Deborah Nelson, and Barb Tolbert were sworn in.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into executive session to review contracts of employment and to discuss potential litigation pursuant to RCW 28A.405.210, and 42.30.110(1)(i) and expected it to last 45 minutes. Executive Session was extended until 5:01pm with no action taken.

EMPLOYEE and PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1st: Commissioner Williams

2nd Commissioner Johnson

DISCUSSION:

APPROVED: Unanimous

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1st: Commissioner Cade

2nd Commissioner Oertle

DISCUSSION:

APPROVED: Unanimous

APPROVAL OF JULY 28, 2021 MINUTES

1st: Commissioner Nelson

2nd Commissioner Johnson

DISCUSSION:

APPROVED: Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS

Doug ten Hoopen provided an update on the Training Center and reviewed the training center budget increase proposal. Commissioner Tolbert asked that detailed information be provided to illuminate how the RFA plans to fund the cost of the training center etc., to include any letters of intent from other agencies who plan to use this facility and a spreadsheet showing the revenue stream for the facility. Commissioner Tolbert also inquired as to whether or not anyone has approached Snohomish County to negotiate costs based upon the frontage improvements that will be made.

A special meeting will be scheduled for September 13th to discuss the training center budget and projections.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Cermak noted that the Operations Report was provided in the packet and he could answer any questions if anyone had any. There were none.



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MOTION TO APPROVE THE ALL-AMERICAN LEADERSHIP PROPOSAL

1st: Commissioner Cade

2nd Commissioner Williams

DISCUSSION:

APPROVED: Unanimous

Policy 72 was provided for the 1st review by the Commissioners.

CHIEFS REPORT

Met with BC Smith and Doug ten Hoopen as the safety committee to discuss a new LNI F.I.I.R.E. partnership between WA Fire Chiefs, Washington State Council of Firefighters, and Labor and Industries to reduce and address workplace injuries. Most of the requirements we are already in progress or doing for safety. It could reduce LNI costs by up to 20% by partnering. Our initial assessment was completed by BC Smith. He is briefing Local President Greg Koontz. LNI requires a letter from the Local supporting the process.

A lot of work was put into Non-Represented staff contracts. Thanks to the Negotiations Committee for all of their assistance.

A Conditional Offer of Employment was made to Mike Torrasi after Chief Kraski and I met with him. He has accepted the conditional offer and is completing background check, medical requirements. Hopefully we can get him started next week and have him attend our next commission meeting to introduce him.

I met with Maggie Schueller, Heather Andrus, and Dr. McKenna to discuss their concerns about the cell tower. No new information was provided.

Chief Kraski and I met with each of the Non-Represented staff and discussed their concerns. The Negotiations Committee met and addressed the items individually with direction given to me moving forward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

We received an email from a concerned citizen regarding the helicopter during National Night Out. Chief Cermak will reach out to him.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Chamber of Commerce will be coordinating a holiday event and will be inviting the Fire Dept. to join them.

National Night Out was a great success.

Commission Oakes' wife is home recovering and doing well.

The previously discussed 9/11 event will likely not be occurring due to COVID restrictions.

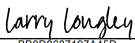
ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 6:11pm


1st: Commissioner Oertle

2nd Commissioner Williams

Discussion:

APPROVED: Unanimous

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Board Secretary