



**Thurston County Fire Protection District 8
Special Board of Fire Commissioners' Meeting
November 9, 2018**

MINUTES of the Special meeting held November 9, 2018. Board members present were Commissioners Harper, Berman, Gleckler and Zvirzdys. Chief VanCamp, Secretary Stumpf and Assistant Chief LeMay were also in attendance. Commissioner Engle was unable to attend. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am at Station 8-1.

Ballot Results

Chief VanCamp briefly reviewed the results of the levy restoration ballot issue. A discussion ensued.

2019 Draft Expense Budget Review

Using a handout, Chief VanCamp shared anticipated revenue estimates for 2019. He also reviewed the draft expense budget for 2019, noting any changes. Questions were asked for clarity. Highlights of the discussion included:

- Overall, the 2018 budget was generally increased by 3% for the cost of inflation.
- Two additional positions (Lieutenants) were budgeted for.
- Labor estimates included anticipated overtime.
- AV equipment will be reviewed for possible replacement.
- The Capital Repairs and Replacement fund hasn't been revised yet, as it is currently under review by the CR&R IDMT (including items to be replaced and replacement dates). SCBA's were discussed.
- Bunker gear purchased in 2018 was discussed. Any purchases for ballistic vests will be on-hold until training has been established.
- Training expenses were discussed. The Washington State Patrol will not be reimbursing for Firefighter I training in 2019.
- Public utilities are being scrutinized. We are working with Sunset Air/DES on a possible energy saving project in the future and following the Phase II Master Plan for facilities.
- Potential grants were discussed. Chief VanCamp clarified that based on our revenues, we don't qualify for many grants.
- The use of engines and aid cars were discussed.

Surplus Properties

Chief VanCamp led a discussion on the values of potential surplus properties. Realtor Terry Toth has estimated values for the properties based on comparable properties. Questions were asked for clarity. Values were discussed including the reduction in value if the structure would need to be removed. Some buildings could be of little value to a homeowner and thus a liability. Commissioner Harper suggested property prices be increased for the value of the buildings. A lower offer could always be made. The hiring of realtor Terry Toth was discussed. Following the discussion, Chief VanCamp was directed to hire Mr. Toth as the District's realtor and to have him re-work the listing prices of the properties to include the value of the buildings.

Resident Program

Chief VanCamp reminded the group of why the Resident Program was being considered: A 2-Station concept (East and West) is part of the Board-adopted Master Plan. There is no station on the East Side currently and coverage is needed for the Johnson Point area. The criteria for the resident program includes:

- It can't impact the ability to staff Station 8-3
- Station 8-2 is not conducive to hold residents for this program
- No capital funding has been approved

Using a handout, Assistant Chief LeMay reviewed the results of the member survey. 30% of the members participated in the survey; 4 people expressed an interest in a resident program.

Using a handout, Chief VanCamp reviewed a draft policy 3-50 for the resident program and agreement. Questions were asked for clarity and the topic was discussed. Highlights of the discussion included:

- A program coordinator would be needed to oversee the program
- Residents (qualified FF/EMTs) would pull extra shifts at Station 8-2 in exchange for free rent
- We could possibly market lateral members from other areas
- Chief VanCamp recommends six members for the program
- Rental challenges were discussed, including estimated rental costs

Following the discussion, Chief VanCamp asked the Board to provide input, noting that the policy and agreement would be up for approval at our regular meeting. Commissioner Harper added that at that same meeting, he would also like the Board to authorize the Chief to take opportunities (for a rental) if they become available.

Adjourn:

The Board announced that next regular meeting will be held on November 13, 2018, beginning at 5:30 pm and will be held at the South Bay Station 8-1. There being no further business the motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion was passed and the meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

ATTEST:



Tom Engle, as Chair for TCFPD 8



Richard Gleckler, as Commissioner for TCFPD 8



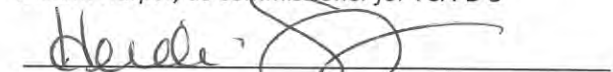
Michael Berman, as Commissioner for TCFPD 8



Gloria Zvirzdys as Commissioner for TCFPD 8



William Harper, as Commissioner for TCFPD 8



Heidi Stumpf as District Secretary for TCFPD 8