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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: 29 July 2020

Time: 18:30

REGULAR MEETING

Present: Candy McCullough, Chair (Webinar)
Camille Staczek, Vice-Chair (Webinar)
Dave Hoffman, Position 05 (Webinar)
Brigitte Schran-Brown, Position 03 (Webinar)
Charles Krimmert, Fire Chief (Webinar)
Rebecca Pollock, District Secretary (Webinar)
Raechel Ehlers, HR Administrator (Webinar)

Absent: Andy Johnson, Position 01 and Robert Larsen, Assistant Chief of Operations

Welcome

Amendments to Agenda

Chair McCullough requested a few new Agenda items be added under New Business:

1. House Bill 7073 and companion Senate Bill 4308.
2. NAEFO Webinar about getting paid for non-transport of patients.

Approval of 06/24/2020 Minutes

Motion by Vice-Chair Staczek:

"I move we accept the minutes of 06/24/2020 as presented."

MINUTES APPROVED, 4-0

Voucher Approval

Motion by Chair McCullough:

"I move we approve the vouchers in Administrative Memorandum 07.29.2020-1."

MEMORANDUM APPROVED, 4-0

Chief Krimmert Report:

- See Chief's Report
 - 3.a. Service/call volume is very low this year.

- 4.b. A few of our staff members experienced a COVID exposure on July 20, 2020.
- 4.b. Response & course of action approved and volunteer quarantined for 14 days: to be tested.
- 4.b. Regional COVID protocol does not sanction cloth masks for responders: N95s or better required.
- 4.b. Large order of PPE has been picked up and brought to the District including a large amount of N95s.
- 5.b. Boat is in service as Marine 355.
- 6.b. The District has committed to the re-roof of Station 56 and the Training Center.
- 7. Costs required to address the pandemic will hopefully be returned as a result of the District's FEMA Reimbursement application.
- 7.b. The District's revenues are at 52% and all of our expenditures are under budget other than costs associated with addressing the pandemic.
- 7.e. Time to start thinking about the 2021 budget.
- 8. Contractually no major issues to discuss.
- 10.b. Due to COVID-19 trends and our associated requirements we will be cancelling October's Annual Open House this year.
- Assistant Chief of Operations, Robert Larsen, is currently enjoying a well-deserved vacation.

Motion by Commissioner Schran-Brown:

"I make a motion to accept the June 2020 financial report as written and presented."

FINANCIAL REPORT APPROVED, 4-0

New Business

- Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - Every five years or so, King County updates their Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and Vashon Island has our appendix that inserts into it. This establishes some criteria that will help us with funding and assistance from King County in the event of hazard mitigation.
 - Rick Wallace with VashonBePrepared did the heavy lifting with drafting and editing this document.
 - Commissioner Schran-Brown suggested we send a note of appreciation to Rick and Bonny for all the hard work they have done and are doing for the Community.
 - Chief Krimmert mentioned the nomination the District submitted on behalf of VashonBePrepared for an award given their work and resilience.
 - We are requesting the Board approve and adopt the Hazard Mitigation Plan and Annex as presented.
 - The number error related to Tsunami Tide height has been addressed and will be corrected.

Motion by Chair McCullough:

"I make a motion we approve the Resolution 20-405 - A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Vashon Fire authorizing and adopting King County Mitigation Plan and VIFR Plan Annex."

RESOLUTION APPROVED, 4-0

- National Association of Emergency & Fire Officials
 - Dues to be paid
 - Membership is \$100 per member if the minority of your Board members are members, if the majority of your Board members are members it is \$50 per member.

Motion by Chair McCullough:

"I make a motion that we pay the invoice for just me as a member at this time."

RESOLUTION APPROVED, 4-0

- Rescue Swimmer Program Status Update
 - 2.d. of the Chief's Report includes a brief synopsis regarding the program's update.
 - Chiefs Coll and Krimmert are organizing the training for Spotters.
 - The District is putting together a purchase list for necessary equipment; and
 - Chief Krimmert and District Secretary Pollock have added new BARS codes to the budget and financial report for expenditures. They are in light blue on the current budget spreadsheet.
 - Vice-Chair Staczek asked for an estimated date that Career FFs will be able to enter the water.
 - The first two swimmers will have completed all required trainings by September and one of them will be able to teach after completing teacher training as well.
 - VIFR is paralleling South King County training for Puget Sound needs.
 - Commissioner Schran-Brown stated that there was a Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis used to create a Rescue Swimmer SOG.
- Open Public Meeting and Executive Session on July 31, 2020 Logistics Discussion
 - Chair McCullough will be present at the station to make the extensions, open, and close the Open Public Meeting portion of the Executive Session. This will be the easiest option given digital requirements during COVID.
 - Discussed scheduling the Executive Session for less time and increasing the number of extensions needed in order to ensure best use of Commissioners' and mediators' time.
 - Commissioners Schran-Brown and Staczek will attend the beginning of the Open Public Meeting Zoom meeting hosted by District Secretary Pollock in order to establish a quorum.
- House Bill 7073 and Senate Bill 4308
 - NAEFO, the National Special Districts Coalition, International Association of Fire Chiefs, WFC, Oregon Fire Directors' Association, etc. are pushing these bills which will provide Special Districts that do Emergency Response work relief funding for COVID expenses.
 - Senate Bill 4308, which is a bi-partisan bill, was signed and submitted the previous week, attempting to get the Senate to recognize and define the roles of and recognize Special Districts that do Emergency work so that they (we) can have access to funding – making them (us) eligible users for the Federal Reserve Municipal Liquidity Facilities Program.
- NAEFO Public Consulting Group will be hosting a webinar regarding federal funding for non-transport patients



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- One of NAEFO's sponsors, Public Consulting Group, has agreed to host webinars for the organization.
- They will be hosting a Webinar on how to get paid for non-transport of patients on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at 8:00am.
- The funding will be coming from the federal government.
- District Secretary Pollock will collect the information for how to register and distribute it to those interested in attending.

Old Business

General Comments

For the Good of the Order

- The Board Hearing that was previously requested by a member has been withdrawn.
- District Secretary Pollock will order Brian Snure Webinar 1 from WFCA for Commissioners who were unable to attend in May and distribute the link and password for viewing.

Documents Signed

Adjourned at 19:20

The next Regular Meeting will be on Wednesday 26 August 2020, at 18:30

Approved this 26th day of August 2020


Camille Staczek, Vice Chair


Rebecca Mason, District Secretary