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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 31, 2024

The Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 13 (Vashon Island Fire & Rescue) met for a Regular Board Meeting on July 31, 2024, at the Penny Farcy Training Center at 10019 SW Bank Rd, Vashon, WA 98070. Chairperson Brigitte Schran-Brown opened the meeting at 6:30pm with Commissioners Pam King, James Whitney, Candy McCullough, and Amy Drayer present. Others attending the meeting were Fire Chief Matt Vinci, Finance/HR Director Christina Bosch, and District Secretary/ Program Director Lilie Corroon.

Agenda
Commissioners McCullough and Drayer moved and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Pinning Ceremony
Jen Gogartten had a pinning ceremony where her wife presented her official pin as a volunteer firefighter after successfully completing volunteer fire academy.

Approval of Meeting Minutes
Commissioners Drayer and Brown moved and seconded to table the approval of the meeting minutes of June 26, 2024, with the minor spelling corrections included. Motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Approvals:
Commissioners McCullough and Drayer moved and seconded to approve Administrative Memorandum 24.07.01. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners McCullough and Drayer moved and seconded to approve Administrative Memorandum 24.07.02. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners McCullough and Drayer moved and seconded to approve the June 2024 expenditure report.

Fire Chief's Report
Fire Chief Vinci reported on the following:

- Awarded FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant: $212,573, two-year wellness/fitness program with a 10% match for both Mountain View and Vashon ($9,712 each). This will pay for onsite specialists, nutritionists, strength, conditioning, and wellness coaches.

July

- Camp Good Times attendance by fire crews

Facilities:

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- Station 55: construction is underway. Good communication between VIFR and the GC so far. The entire upstairs is already demolished/gutted. Additional mold was found on the first floor. VIFR is working with the GC to eradicate the building from any further mold.

VIFR Monthly Responses:

- Total YTD 1095, 2023: 921. Some significant events from July include a grass brush fire, an intentional RV arson fire, and a motor vehicle accident on July 4th.

Station Responses:

- St. 55: 128 in July, St 56: 72 in July. YTD 718 at 55 and 369 at St. 56

EMS Transports:

- 70 transports for month of July, 356 YTD, 2023 was 233 at this time.

Training:

- Three more rescue swimmers completed initial, now seven total swimmers on-staff.
- Incident Command Trainers- Captains Certified
- EVIP- all members completed for 2024

Community Risk Reduction

- Gold Beach Community Meeting scheduled- to address fire risks

Finance Report

- As of June 30, 2024, the Districts Cash Balance was at a total of $7,965,513.56.
- The district has received 71.4% of revenue as of June 30, 2024, with 28.6% remaining.
- The district has expensed 42.5% and there is 57.5% remaining.
- Current tax collections for June are $3,564,533.16 and delinquent accounts are at $110,758.03.
- The ending balance for ambulance billing as of June 2024 is $444,148.15.
- Commissioner McCullough offered to review the month of July finance report.
- GEMT: FY2024 Cost Report Data sent to Consulting Group. Report Due November 27, 2024. Settlement Calculations for FY2023 are in process. Letters to Providers should be sent soon.
- Medicare Ground Ambulance Data Collection (MGADC), Report accepted, no future reports needed.
- Work anniversaries: Since June 26th meeting): Program Manager Lilie Corroon (1 year), Fire Chief Matt Vinci (2 years), Facilities Tech Randall Webb (8 years).
- Union Local 4189 Retroactive Pay Calculated and sent to impacted employees for review. The pay date is expected to be no later than Aug 15. Staff is gathering data for
- Maintenance Agreement Negotiations. 2024 Budget Revision currently in process, 2025 budget process to begin in August.

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Union Staff Reports

- Monthly meetings are held, no news to report.

New Business

- Resolution 24-249 Recognizing Jan Milligan: Commissioner McCullough and Brown moved and seconded to approve the resolution recognizing Jan Milligan.
- Mobile Integrated Community Response Model
    - Chief Vinci and Lilie Corroon presented on the new proposal of the Community Response Model for MIH.
    - YTD, 97 patients, 213 unique patient contacts.
    - Proposal consisted of the expansion of the current MIH referral model to a response or "urgent care" model. The expansion will include access to Labcorp, Athena EMR, a multidisciplinary team for MIH would consist of a PA, RNs, EMTs and a LICSW. Patients would have same day appointments and access to care in their home. Hours would consist of 7 days a week, 8 hours a day with alternating schedules for access to social worker and medical support. The proposal is supported by King County EMS Medical Director, the current MIH Medical Director, Dr. Cameron Buck, and many in the community. This proposal is cost effective for the island, the community, and the patients individually.
    - We have had conversations with paramedic labor group, the union, King County, and our billing company to discuss next steps in getting credentialed with insurance companies. The proposal consists of two phases- one is adding a LICSW and adding an additional day for nurse availability. Phase two consists of adding one full time PA and one per diem PA to cover 7 days a week.
- Discussion ensued amongst commissioners and commissioners were able to ask follow up questions regarding the proposal.

5-minute break requested by Commissioner McCullough at 8:10pm. Meeting resumed at 8:15pm.

- Acceptance of FEMA Grant EMW-2023-FG-03094. Commissioners McCullough and Brown moved and seconded to accept the FEMA Grant. Motion passed unanimously.

Good of the Order

- Commissioner McCullough called for a moment of silence for Director of King County Dr. Michael Copass and his vast contributions to medical services in King County.
- Kudos to those at VIFR that worked at Strawberry Fest. Kudos to Jan Milligan. Commissioner McCullough apologized for her absence at last meeting.
- Commissioner Brown noted that at the next meeting, we will have a recognition ceremony for Camille Staczek.

With nothing further to come before the Board, at 8:40pm, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of July 31, 2024.

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