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MINUTES
Clark County Fire District 6 Commissioners Meeting
Regular Meeting
Station 61, 7:30 p.m.
June 7, 2016

Members present: Chairman Bloemke, Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Lothspeich.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Bloemke.

David Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None.

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the May 17, 2016 regular meeting minutes and to have them posted for public view and on the District's website. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- The Board received a letter dated 5/15/16 from the Clark County Amateur Radio Club inviting them to the club's annual Field Day exercise on June 25th. The event is held at SEH America at 3900 NE 112th Avenue from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Safety Committee:
Chief Taylor reported he had been reviewing injury and exposure reports since his return and intends to schedule a Committee meeting during the next two weeks.
- Parade Committee: None.
- Risk Management Group: None.
- Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board: None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Second by Commissioner Collins. The motion passed unanimously.

- Number of Calls Report:

<u>Calls, May 2015</u>		<u>Calls, May 2016</u>		<u>Calls to Date 2015</u>		<u>Calls to Date 2016</u>	
EMS	390	EMS	464	EMS	2007	EMS	2307
Fire	28	Fire	30	Fire	92	Fire	91
Cancelled	32	Cancelled	29	Cancelled	127	Cancelled	132
False Alarm	18	False Alarm	27	False Alarm	96	False Alarm	101
Good Intent	21	Good Intent	23	Good Intent	96	Good Intent	118
Other	30	Other	29	Other	119	Other	151
Total	519	Total	602	Total	2537	Total	2900

CHIEF’S REPORT:

- Training House Burn.
Chief Green reported the District is conducting a training house burn June 8th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 3410 NE 99th Street.
- Commercial Fire Inspection Workshop.
Chief Green reported the Clark County Fire Marshal is again presenting the need for two additional inspectors to the County Council at 10:00 a.m. June 8th. Chiefs and Commissioners from Districts are planning to attend.
- Station 61 Truck Bay Lights.
The new LED lights are being installed in the Station 61 truck bay next Monday, June 13th. The project is estimated to take two to three days to complete.
- Board of Commissioners – PERS.
At the recent State Chiefs conference, representatives of the State Auditor office stated to those present that Commissioners were required to be covered by the PERS retirement system. The Chief subsequently made contact with the Washington Department of Retirement Systems and learned that was not the case.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Surplus Equipment Bids.
The bids were opened at 4:00 p.m. There were ten bids for equipment totaling \$20.38. Many items received no bids. Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lothspeich, to award the bids and authorize the Chief to dispose of the items which received no bids. The motion passed unanimously.

- Recreational Fires (Nuisance/Medical) Policy.

The Chief checked with other fire agencies for policies on recreational fires. Not many have a policy in place regarding dealing with these situations.

In the Chief's discussion with the Clean Air Agency, they said if it is truly a health issue with the smoke, the District should direct its personnel to extinguish the fire. If the incident occurs during SW WA Clean Air Agency business hours, they should be contacted. No Board action is required.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Hydrant Maintenance Part-Time Employee.

The Chief said he had discussed the possibility of hiring an additional employee for hydrant maintenance some time ago. He said he was not comfortable asking for the position unless the District is committed to working toward achieving a protection Class 3 rating again.

Commissioner Lothspeich stated he is not so concerned about Pitot readings, etc., but the hydrants should be flowed, lubricated, etc. Commissioner Bloemke agreed, stating his major concern is to ensure the hydrants operate correctly and not have a situation where we are at a fire and a hydrant does not operate.

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to direct staff to look at the options available and if adding a part-time maintenance position is determined to be necessary, the Board authorizes the Chief to go forward with it. The motion passed unanimously.

- Staff Vehicles.

Asst. Chief Maurer informed the Board of the arrival of the three Ford Interceptors. They will go to Salem in the next two weeks for installation of equipment and other preparations. She informed the Board that some vehicles have reached the end of their life span.

- 2001 Ford Crown Victoria – is 15 years old, 65K+ miles. It is leaking and has mold/mildew issues. Staff wants the Board to consider selling it.
- 2001 Ford Expedition – is 15 years old and has over 100K miles. Some major transmission work and new tires are needed soon.
- Honda CRV – is 15 years old and 70K miles. It also has some leaking issues but operates fine.
- EMS 61, the Chevrolet Blazer, is over ten years old and will rotate to become Rescue 151, and thus a front-line response unit. Front-line response units are considered to have a 10-year lift.
- Chevrolet Sonoma – is 15 years old but does not get driven much.

- 1995 Bronco, currently used as Rescue 151, is over twenty years old.

The Board and staff discussed options, including keeping the 2001 Expedition, CRV and Sonoma. Commissioner Lothspeich stated a part-time maintenance person could drive the Sonoma. Commissioner Bloemke suggested staff conduct more research and then suggest additional vehicles, if needed, for the 2017 budget.

Commissioner Lothspeich prefers to keep the 2001 Expedition for use by the PIO and get rid of the Crown Victoria.

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, second by Commissioner Collins, to declare as surplus the 2001 Ford Crown Victoria and 1995 Ford Bronco and send to the next available Bar-None auction for sale. This is to occur after the new vehicles are placed in service. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- The Board moved to Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (i) (b), to consider selection of a site for building. Those in attendance in Executive Session were: the three Board members, Chief Green, Assistant Chief Newberry, Assistant Chief Maurer and Board Secretary David Taylor. The Session was expected to last until 8:30 p.m.

Following a ten-minute extension, the Board returned from Executive Session at 8:40 p.m. The Board resumed regular session and announced no action had been taken.

ROUND TABLE and GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Commissioner Lothspeich discussed the success of the open house. Even with the high heat on Saturday, attendance was good. Kudos were passed on to District personnel who assisted.
- Commissioner Collins is out of town for the next Board meeting. He may be available by telephone if needed.
- Commissioner Lothspeich is out of town for the July 19th Board meeting.
- Assistant Chief Maurer said prior to the Board's next meeting on June 21st, at 6:30 p.m., the District is recognizing retiring personnel.
- Chief Green reported on an email he received from CCSO Sergeant Duncan Hoss regarding the exemplary treatment of his 8-year-old daughter at the Open House. A Cadet was assisting with the hose spraying and spent quality time. He wanted to thank her.


Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins to authorize monthly Commissioner compensation and authorize the payment of current bills in the amounts of:

Fund 6212	\$43,363.92
Fund 6242	\$6,936.21
Fund 6258	\$107,771.49

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dean Bloemke, Chair



David Taylor, Board Secretary