



Clark County Fire District 6
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MINUTES
Clark County Fire District 6 Commissioners Meeting
Regular Meeting
Station 61, 7:30 p.m.
July 5, 2016

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

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Bloemke.

Battalion Chief Scott Reamer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

- Commissioner Bloemke added to Old Business his response to IAFF Local 1805 President Ryan Reese's email sent to Board members on June 16, 2016.

Commissioner Collins requested when Board members are out of town and their absence from a Board meeting is excused, it should be noted in the minutes they are out of town rather than their name being omitted from the minutes. The Board Secretary clarified that for the June 21, 2016 meeting, he will revise them to show Commissioner Collins as "out of town."

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the June 21, 2016 regular meeting minutes with the revision of Commissioner Collins listed as "out of town" and to have them posted for public view and on the District's website. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Safety Committee: None.
- Parade Committee: None.
- Risk Management Group: Meeting scheduled July 6, 2016.

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- Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board: Next meeting is July 14, 2016.

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, June 2015</u>		<u>Calls, June 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:

- Battalion Chief Reamer Swearing-In.
Scott Reamer was sworn in as Battalion Chief by the Board Chair, Commissioner Bloemke. BC Reamer’s family members were present for the ceremony.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Surplus Vehicle Motion Modification.
Regarding the Board’s action at the last meeting to send surplus vehicles to Bar None Auction to be sold, Assistant Chief Maurer reported a former employee of Bar None has opened J. Stout Auctions. This new company will sell most surplus items, not just vehicles.

The commission is higher (7% vs. 5% at Bar None) but they sell on the internet and reach a wider audience, resulting in higher sales prices.

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to allow staff to select the auction house to use – J. Stout or Bar None. The motion passed unanimously.

- Board Chair Response to Ryan Reese Email.
The Chair responded to President Reese’s email which was discussed at the June 21, 2016 Board meeting. The Chair’s response was sent via email and U.S. Mail. The Chair directed the Board Secretary to read the response into the record:

July 1, 2016

Ryan Reese, President
IAFF Local 1805
800 NE Tenney Road, Suite 110, PMB #215

Vancouver, WA 98685

Dear President Reese:

At the Board's last meeting on June 21, 2016, an email sent by you to individual Board members was read into the record by the Board Secretary. In your email, you discuss the candidate who has been selected to fill the Training Captain position, your understanding of issues at his current department, your negative characterization of the morale of this department and the poor working relationship between the administration and the bargaining unit.

Members of the Board were kept informed during the process for the Training Captain position. Both Board members present at the June 21st meeting have met with staff and are confident due diligence was performed. Staff and contracted professionals went above and beyond in the selection and vetting process. The Board is very comfortable with this selection and the process.

The Board expects all members of the department to provide the new Training Captain the opportunity to perform in the position without being burdened by any preconceived notions and opinions. This is no more than what is expected and provided to every other new member beginning their employment with the District.

Regarding the morale of the department and the relationship between the union and administration, the Board expects and encourages staff and the union to build a relationship in a positive manner to our mutual benefit. Both parties share this responsibility.

Sincerely,

Dean Bloemke, Chair
Board of Fire Commissioners

The Board briefly discussed the response.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ROUND TABLE and GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Commissioner Lothspeich discussed the Holabird (Engine 0) and the lack of seat belts in front and in the rear, which limits the District's use of it. He would like staff to look into installing seat belts.

Commissioner Bloemke asked Commissioner Collins to bring up the issue tomorrow morning at the Risk Management Group meeting and pose the seat belt question to the District's insurance representative. He went on to state the rear of Engine 0 has benches and

the District typically has two spotters posted on the tailboard when children or adults are in the rear space of the engine.

- Commissioner Lothspeich stated he is available via telephone for the July 19, 2016 Board meeting.
- Assistant Chief Newberry stated volunteer Trevor Fleshman passed all tests and was promoted to Lieutenant.
- Ashley Clifton is getting married this weekend.
- Commissioner Collins asked how the District's consultant is performing on the District's EMS Levy. The Board discussed this briefly.

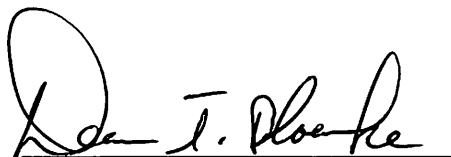
Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion authorizing monthly Commissioner compensation and authorizing the payment of current bills in the amounts of:

Fund 6212	\$132,947.55
Fund 6242	\$42,336.72
Fund 6257	\$373.98

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dean Bloemke, Chair



David Taylor, Board Secretary