



**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.  
August 2, 2016

Members present: Chairman Bloemke, Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Lothspeich

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Bloemke.

Merrill Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None.

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the July 19, 2016 regular meeting minutes and 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: 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, July 2015</u>		<u>Calls, July 2016</u>		<u>Calls to Date 2015</u>		<u>Calls to Date 2016</u>	
EMS	468	EMS	445	EMS	2954	EMS	3201
Fire	62	Fire	46	Fire	213	Fire	160
Cancelled	31	Cancelled	29	Cancelled	198	Cancelled	204
False Alarm	19	False Alarm	24	False Alarm	132	False Alarm	153
Good Intent	39	Good Intent	27	Good Intent	163	Good Intent	187
Other	28	Other	29	Other	179	Other	204
Total	647	Total	600	Total	3839	Total	4109

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY:

- Recruit Class Swearing-In.  
At a ceremony occurring prior to the meeting, twelve volunteer firefighters were sworn by Board Chair Dean Bloemke.
- Lieutenant Trevor Fleshman.  
Assistant Chief Newberry provided an introduction to Trevor Fleshman. He has been a volunteer for nearly three years. He is considered an informal leader in the department and has a lot of experience and training.

Lt. Fleshman was sworn by Commissioner Bloemke.

The Chair called for a break at 7:38 p.m. for photos and refreshments.

The Chair resumed the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

CHIEF’S REPORT: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- September Meeting Dates.  
Commissioner Bloemke is out of town September 20<sup>th</sup> at the NAEFO conference. Commissioner Collins is gone for September 6<sup>th</sup> and possibly September 20<sup>th</sup> also. The Board Secretary said a meeting mid-month is necessary to get Board approval for end-of-month payroll. Following discussion, Commissioner Bloemke made a motion to move the date of the second September meeting from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. Second by Commissioner Lothspeich. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Station Conceptual Drawings.  
Cathy Bowman of Mackenzie and Assistant Chief Maurer presented conceptual drawings

for the remodels at Station 61 and 62. Ms. Bowman reported the footprint of the main building of Station 61 stays the same, it is just reconfigured space. If going with the two additional bays on the shop, that is a change which has further requirements.

At Station 62, proposal #1 calls for the current meeting room to become the physical training, future clinic and workroom. There are to be 4 individual bunkrooms.

Proposal #2 calls for a change in the footprint – an addition on the north end for physical training and keeping the public meeting room. This would require a water treatment change and additional costs. Commissioner Lothspeich stated the Board had discussed this previously and with security concerns, it did not want people in the station when crews are gone.

Commissioner Bloemke asked, regarding the first proposal, if there is sufficient room for patient waiting if the clinic space is used in the future. Asst. Chief Maurer responded it is in the future and we do not know at this time what would need to be set up for that. Typically those types of community paramedicine clinics are close to bus lines and schools.

In mid-October the needs assessment will be completed and cost estimates will be available. Mackenzie will propose designing all three projects at once. Six months for design; six months for permitting.

There is some work to be done on the seismic upgrades.

- Ecological Land Services – Wetland and Habitat Surveys.  
Francis Naglich of Ecological Land Services discussed the addition to the shop at Station 61 and thought it would be easy to mitigate.

At Station 63, there are mitigation banks, at which the Army Corps of Engineers would want us to purchase credits and avoid having to physically maintain a wetland for ten years. He said there should also be available an “oak bank” which would permit the District to remove the oak on the west end of the property.

Mr. Naglich stated if you desire to fill a wetland for a road or building, it is a much longer timeline dealing with the feds. If you are near the wetland buffer, you are only dealing with Clark County. The County doesn’t get that detailed about purpose and use, but the Corps of Engineers does.

- Volunteer Preference – Entry-Level Testing.  
Assistant Chief Newberry presented a proposed revision to this policy to remove unnecessary language.

Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion to accept staff recommendation to adopt the revised Volunteer Preference in Entry-Level Testing policy. Second by Commissioner Collins. Following discussion, Commissioner Lothspeich amended his original motion to include stating this replaces the existing April 2, 2005 policy. The motion passed unanimously.

- Volunteer Reimbursement – Resolution 2016-07.

Asst. Chief Newberry worked on this with Merrill Thompson. This was a revision which removed unnecessary language which does not apply now. Chief Newberry asked the Board for their opinion regarding the stipends received by officers – should they receive them (four for Captains) automatically or should they be given following performing extra duties. Commissioner Bloemke felt they should receive the stipends automatically and ensure they are performing as expected.

Regarding the \$7.00 provided for reimbursement for calls and drills, Chief Newberry asked if it was enough. It has been \$7.00 for many years. Commissioner Collins stated he did not think the \$7 is enough, commenting you can't Uber here for \$7. Merrill Thompson, the Volunteer Coordinator, stated he felt the \$7 is adequate. It was clarified the \$7 is for every call, even if the volunteer is already at the station for a prior call.

Chief Newberry stated this was not presented for a decision this evening. It will be reviewed and come before the Board at a future meeting.

The Chair called for a brief break at 9:00 p.m.

The Chair resumed the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- The Board moved to Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (i) (b), to consider possible property acquisition. Those in attendance in Executive Session were: the three Board members, Assistant Chief Newberry, Assistant Chief Maurer, Jim West, Commercial Realtor, Cathy Bowman, Todd Johnson and Anna Dearman from Mackenzie and Board Secretary David Taylor. The Session was expected to last until 8:55 p.m.

At 9:20 p.m., Commissioner Collins had a personal emergency and had to leave Executive Session and the meeting.

Following a thirty-minute extension, the Board returned from Executive Session at 10:35 p.m. The Board resumed regular session and announced no action had been taken.

ROUND TABLE and GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- The EMS levy appears to be passing at nearly 77%. The Board stated their appreciation to the voters for their support.

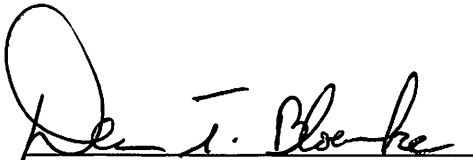
Commissioner Lothspeich made a motion authorizing monthly Commissioner compensation and authorizing the payment of current bills in the amounts of:

Fund 6212	\$50,638.16
Fund 6242	\$15,377.79

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bloemke and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Dean Bloemke, Chair

  
David Taylor, Board Secretary