



THURSTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 9

August 13, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Dale Putnam of District 9 Board of Fire Commissioners called the meeting to order at 1805 hours. Commissioners Mark Thompson, Mark Campeau, and Jesi Chapin; Chief Steve North, EA Davie Kindell, Lt. Chris Patti, and Board Secretary Ferol Max attended the regular meeting held via the virtual Zoom platform. Leonard Johnson was present as an interested observer. Commissioner Rich Milligan was absent. Viewing of the meeting was made available to the public with the Zoom meeting link posted on the District website.

AGENDA

Commissioner Putnam asked to add 'meeting planning' under New Business.
Commissioner Chapin asked to add 'resignation' under New Business.
The agenda was approved as amended.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on July 9, 2020; the motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers and Payroll:

A motion was made and seconded to approve previously authorized payments made on June 1, 2020 in the amount of \$4,329.56; vouchers from Fund 6690 totaling \$480,766.28; and from Fund 6694 totaling \$983.38; the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Chief Position: Leonard Johnson has signed the contracts for the Assistant Chief and Chief positions. He was present at this meeting and was welcomed to the District by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Putnam proposed that the BOC meetings continue to be held on the Zoom virtual meeting platform until it is determined during a regular meeting that an in-person meeting can take place the following month. The Board was in consensus on the matter.


Commissioner Chapin announced that she will resign her position effective September 1, 2020 as she will be moving out of the District. The Board thanked her for her involvement and wished her well.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

For Thurston County Fire District 9:



Dale Putnam, Chairperson



Mark Thompson, Commissioner



Mark Campeau, Commissioner

(absent)

Rich Milligan, Commissioner

Jesi Chapin, Commissioner



Ferol Max, Board Secretary

September 10th, 2020

STAFF REPORTS

Finance:

EA Kindell reported all is on track with the budget and tax revenue collections are at 54% for the year.

Three new firefighters have joined McLane-Black Lake; two are in academy and one is a lateral transfer.

EA Kindell spoke with Sean Mahoney, the recruit academy coordinator, who stated he would like to move academy operations back to the District 9 training center. Chief North quoted a rate of \$75 per person plus consumables. More information will be forthcoming.

EA Kindell has been looking into recruiting methods and a possible online presence for the annual open house.

Operations: Chief North reported the call volume information is included with his report in the informational packet, and the year-to-date total remains lower than 2019 because of the heavy call volume during the 2019 snowstorm event. There were three calls for mutual aid on structure fires in Olympia and two Rapid Extraction Module (REM) operations.

Brush 91 was deployed to a mobilization but broke down and had to be towed to a service facility. Chief North retrieved the rig and it was diagnosed with a bad turbo, but it was undetermined whether that was the reason for the failure.

Station 95 roof replacement won't be scheduled until spring. Chief North has had estimates from Highline Construction; that company has also provided specs on how the new construction must be designed to prevent a repeat of the original problem of excessive moisture causing mildew in the insulation.

Chief: Chief North reported any training academy contract will have similar language to the previous one and will be provided for the Board on completion.

Mobilization reimbursement estimate was \$28,000 as of two days ago but will change due to costs of the breakdown of Brush 91 and the addition for REM deployment.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Putnam reported TCFCA is still meeting via conference call to conduct immediate business only. Chief North will be the speaker for September.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

EA Kindell will put together application information for the impending Board vacancy.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners adjourned at 1823.