# CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS January 22, 2018

Chair Willis called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Pierce County Fire District No. 6 to order at 6:00 p.m. at Station 60 – 17520 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave E, Tacoma, Washington. Present were: Commissioners Willis, Coleman, Eckroth, Stringfellow and Holm, Fire Chief Olson, Deputy Chiefs Pierce and Donovan, Assistant Chiefs Juarez, Beckman, Overby, Karns, Jackson and Gacioch, Finance Director Robacker, Human Resources Director Martinson, Information Technology Director Travis, Local 726 Vice President James, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Willis led the flag salute.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to approve the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

### CITIZEN COMMENTS (FOR ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY ON THE AGENDA)

No citizen comments.

#### RECESS TO MEDIC UNIT INSPECTION

AC Beckman requested to delay this agenda item due to the medic unit being enroute from service. Chair Willis announced the agenda item would be brought forward upon the medic unit's arrival.

# **CONSENT AGENDA (SINGLE MOTION)**

- A. Excused Absences: Ex-Officio Door
- B. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of January 8, 2018
- C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 50051 to 50051 totaling	\$ 661,224.00
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 50052 to 50090 totaling	\$ 414,339.98
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 49823 to 49823 totaling	\$ (1,765.07)
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,073,798.91

Ex-Officio Door was recorded as an excused absence. Commissioner Coleman moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling \$1,073,798.91. **MOTION CARRIED**.

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS (SECOND READING AND FINAL ACTION)

No unfinished business.

# **NEW BUSINESS (FIRST READING - FOR DISCUSSION AND REVIEW ONLY)**

A. Resolution No. 18-02 Purchase Two (2) Additional KME Fire Engines

AC Karns referred to the Board's approval at the last meeting to move forward with purchasing two additional engines. He requested waiver of the two-meeting rule to take advantage of the

contract discount. Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to waive the two-meeting rule and vote on Resolution No. 18-02. **MOTION CARRIED**. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to approve Resolution No. 18-02. **MOTION CARRIED**.

# **CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUESTS (Board Action Required)**

A. OneSolution Software Upgrade Management Contract

FD Robacker explained the need for project assistance due to her upcoming leave. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to approve the finance consultant contract with Amy Palmer as presented and authorize moving \$6,040.00 from the Commissioner Contingency Fund to Finance to cover the additional cost. **MOTION CARRIED**.

B. Appoint Two Commissioners to Serve On Steering Committee for the Strategic Plan

Chief Olson noted the 2018 budget includes a Strategic Plan process. He explained how the steering committee would help set the direction of the district. The Board agreed that Commissioner Coleman and Commissioner Holm would serve on the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

# STAFF, LOCAL, FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION AND FIRE CHIEF REPORTS (For Information Only)

**Finance** – FD Robacker provided a report in the packet. The typical monthly investment report was not included as Pierce County has not closed out December records.

## RECESS TO MEDIC UNIT INSPECTION

At 6:18 p.m., Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to recess to the apparatus bay to inspect the new medic unit. **MOTION CARRIED.** At 6:35 p.m., Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to return to the regular meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

**Field Operations** – AC Gacioch highlighted topics in his report, which included the Operations/EMS Report for December 2017. He was happy to report that daily staffing returns to 57 on January 29<sup>th</sup>.

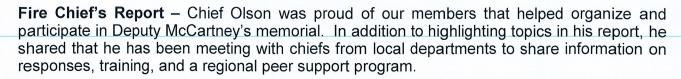
**EMS** – AC Beckman thanked the Board for taking time to inspect the medic unit. He reviewed items in his report and was particularly proud of the impact of the MCIRT program. Chief Olson referred to the MCIRT report provided and reviewed reductions in 9-1-1 calls by several high utilizers.

**Prevention & Education** – AC Overby highlighted topics in his report.

**Information Technology** – ITD Travis reviewed topics in his report. He confirmed that the Boardroom audiovisual equipment is completely functioning.

DC Administration – DC Donovan referred to his report and offered to answer any questions.

**Local 726** – L726VP James thanked the Board for approving the purchase of two additional engines. He also thanked the Board for taking time to view the medic unit and equipment. He extended an invitation to all for the Local 726 annual banquet on April 28<sup>th</sup>.



#### CORRESPONDENCE

Letters of appreciation

#### COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Holm asked for updates on recent water problems at Stations 63 and the Training Center. AC Karns explained the problems and mitigation done to-date.

Commissioner Stringfellow thanked Staff for the tour of the medic unit and said that it was nice to see what the District is getting for its money. He appreciated seeing the lifting equipment as he still feels the effects of heavy lifting from being a firefighter. He regrets not being able to attend graduation, but offered "congratulations" to the new firefighters.

Commissioner Eckroth commented that it was nice to see the new medic unit and its equipment, and thanked those involved. He had additional questions on the water issues of which AC Karns responded.

Commissioner Coleman appreciated viewing the medic unit and equipment. He thanked everyone for their hard work.

Commissioner Willis said the memorial looked great from what he saw on social media and that everyone did a good job. AC Beckman asked for the floor. He recognized DC Donovan as part of the memorial's Incident Management Team and for thoughtfully inviting FF/PM James and FF Farias to participate with the family. Commissioner Willis commented on the positive purchase of the medic unit and that it will certainly save on firefighter injuries. He thanked AC Karns and everyone that worked on the medic unit project.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**BOB WILLIS** 

CHAIR OF THE BOARD

TÁNYA ROBACKER

DISTRICT SECRETARY

RECORDER