**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**February 25, 2019**

Chair Willis called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order at 6:05 p.m. at Station 60 – 17520–22nd Ave E, Tacoma, Washington. Present: Chair Willis, Vice Chair Holm, Commissioners Coleman, Eckroth, and Stringfellow, Ex-Officio Door, Deputy Chiefs Karns and Stueve, Assistant Chiefs Juarez, Overby, and Jackson, Finance Director Robacker, Human Resources Director Schwabe, DFM Lorenz, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Willis led the flag salute.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Staff proposed a revised agenda. Commissioner Coleman moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the revised agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

Citizen Michael Thompson addressed the Board regarding the pole building at Station 69. He referred to the written response by DC Karns to his previous questions and felt that he did not receive sufficient answers. He requested to meet with one or more Commissioners to discuss the issues. On behalf of the Board, Chair Willis declined and asked Mr. Thompson to work through administration on the matter. EA Porter will coordinate a meeting with Mr. Thompson and Chief Olson.

**NEW ENGINE INTRODUCTION**

Chair Willis recessed the meeting for fifteen minutes to preview one of the new fire engines.

**CITIZEN LIFESAVING AWARD**

CGRO Shaw introduced Ms. Juliana Vega-Zamora. Acting Chief Karns and Chair Willis presented her with CPFR’s Citizen Lifesaving Award for her efforts in saving herself and her two sons from an apartment fire.

**CONSENT AGENDA (SINGLE MOTION)**

1. Excused Absences:
2. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of February 11, 2019
3. Approval of:

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| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52258 to 52278 totaling | $ | 581,961.39 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52279 to 52339 totaling | $ | 483,277.55 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52190 to 52190 totaling | $ | (525.00) |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | $ | 1,064,713.94 |

Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling $1,064,713.94. **MOTION CARRIED**.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (SECOND READING AND FINAL ACTION)**

No unfinished business.

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

No new business.

**CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUESTS**

* 1. Accelerant Detection Canine Program

DFM Lorenz detailed the program as outlined in the Board packet. He highlighted aspects of the program and noted that, after submitting the information, he received notification that ATF does not cover transportation costs. Depending on modes of transportation for him and the canine, the additional cost would be approximately $2,600 or around $5,210 in total program start-up costs. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to approve moving forward with implementing an Accelerant Detection Canine Program. **MOTION CARRIED.**

* 1. Clarify Language in Resolution No. 19-03 Lid Lift

The Board approved Resolution No. 19-03 on February 11, 2019. Attorney Quinn suggested that the Board clarify by way of motion that their intent was to refer to current RCW 29A.32, not the old statute of 29.81.A, as noted in said resolution. Pierce County Elections has acknowledged the intent of the original resolution and accepted it for the April 23, 2019, ballot measure. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to clarify the Board of Commissioners intent of Resolution No. 19-03, Section 6, was to refer to the current chapter RCW 29A.32, not RCW 29.81.A. **MOTION CARRIED.**

* 1. Hydraulic Rescue Tool Appropriation

In 2018, the Board of Commissioners approved the purchase of rescue tools for $71,400 from the Equipment Replacement Fund (ERF). The purchase did not take place in 2018 and this request is to reauthorize the expenditure in 2019. Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to reauthorize the purchase of rescue tools from the ERF fund in 2019. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**STAFF, LOCAL, FIREFIGHTERS’ ASSOCIATION AND FIRE CHIEF REPORTS (For Information Only)**

The following divisions provided a written report in the packet:

1. Finance – FD Robacker
   * 1. December 2018 Investment Report
2. Field Operations – DC Stueve reviewed AC Kent’s operations activities report.
   * 1. January Operations/EMS Report
3. EMS – AC Beckman
4. Prevention & Education – AC Overby.
5. DC Administration/Acting Fire Chief - DC Karns. He updated the Board on the unfilled IT Director position.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Code STEMI (3)
2. Letters of Appreciation

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Ex-Officio Door** updated the Board on City Council activities. She is unable to attend the next meeting.

**Commissioner Holm** is excited for the Lid Lift ballot measure in April. He expressed his hope that with its success the department can to look at an additional FTE for the Prevention and Education Division.

**Commissioner Stringfellow** remarked that thenew engine is even more spectacular than when first seen. He thanked everyone for their hard work to get the new engines on the streets.

**Commissioner Coleman** was impressed to see how well they were equipped.

**Commissioner Eckroth** also commented on what he called a spectacular piece of equipment that will be functional for years to come. CPFR is hosting the Pierce County Fire Commissioners’ monthly meeting on Thursday, February 28th.

**Commissioner Willis** supports the Accelerant Detection Canine Program and its benefits to the department.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

BOB WILLIS TANYA ROBACKER

CHAIR OF THE BOARD DISTRICT SECRETARY

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RECORDER