**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**April 22, 2019**

Chair Willis called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order at 6:00 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 Chief Karns, Assistant Chiefs Beckman, Juarez, Overby, Jackson, Stueve, and Kent, Finance Director Robacker, L726 President James, MSO Thompson, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Willis led the flag salute.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

No citizen comments.

**CONSENT AGENDA (SINGLE MOTION)**

1. Excused Absences:
2. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of April 8, 2019
3. Approval of:

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| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52559 to 52581 totaling | $ | 129,711.10 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52582 to 52582 totaling | $ | 37,070.70 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52583 to 52650 totaling | $ | 994,668.55 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52651 to 52674 totaling | $ | 190,721.98 |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | $ | 1,352,172.33 |

Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling $1,352,172.33. **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. 2019 Washington State Fair Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Contract

The District and The Fair agreed, for clarification, to state the previously approved percentage increase as a dollar amount in the annual contract. Commissioner Coleman moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the 2019 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Contract with the Washington State Fair for $193,168.21. **MOTION CARRIED**.

* 1. Station 72 Hydrant Access Easement Agreement

Deputy Chief Karns explained the benefit of the access easement over installing a new hydrant. Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to approve the Grant of Easement and Restoration Agreement with Rainier Medical Properties JV, LLC. **MOTION CARRIED**.

* 1. Commissioner Contingency Fund Request

The IT Division is moving to a more sustainable location at Station 66 and improvements are necessary. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to approve appropriating up to $30,000 from the Commissioner Contingency Fund to the Logistics Division for purchase of IT furniture and storage equipment at Station 66. **MOTION CARRIED**.

* 1. Retiree Medical Benefit Lt. Cal Hoge

Deputy Chief Karns requested a waiver of the notification timeline on behalf of long-time employee Lt. Hoge. Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to waive the timeline as outlined in Resolution No. 13-01 and approve the Retiree Medical Benefit for Lt. Cal Hoge. **MOTION CARRIED**.

* 1. Retiree Medical Benefit FF Derek Williams

L726 President James requested a waiver of the criteria and timeline on behalf of FF Williams. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to approve the Retiree Medical Benefit for FF Derek Williams pending approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between CPFR and Local 726 that this will not be precedent setting. **MOTION CARRIED**.

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

* L726 President James updated the Board on union activities.
* Finance Reports – FD Robacker noted that end-of-quarter information from Pierce County is not available at this time.

The following divisions provided a written report in the packet:

* Field Operations – AC Kent included the February and March Operations/EMS Reports in his report.
* EMS – AC Beckman
* Prevention & Education – AC Overby
* DC Administration - DC Karns
* Fire Chief - Chief Olson included a copy of the Citizen Advisory Group presentation from April 18, 2019, with his report. DC Karns requested the Board’s consensus on South Sound 911 proposed changes to welfare checks, which calls for firefighter response without law enforcement. The majority of Board members strongly opposed this change.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence.

DC Karns requested an Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Ex-Officio Door** shared updates on City Council and South Sound 911 meeting dates.

**Commissioner Holm** anticipates seeing everyone’s hard work payoff tomorrow. He appreciates DFM Levings’ work making CPFR look good. It is exciting when AC Kent and other conference attendees come back so motivated.

**Commissioner Stringfellow** and Commissioner Coleman attended the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting last week. Chief Olson did a fine job with his presentation. He would like to see more members invited into the group.

**Commissioner Coleman** also thought it was a good presentation and would like more citizens involved in the committee.

**Commissioner Eckroth** thanked Local 726 for everything they are doing out in the community.

**Commissioner Willis** is glad to see newer firefighters getting involved in union activities. He stated he could not over-emphasize how opposed he is to the proposed changes to welfare checks.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:50 p.m., Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to move into Executive Session for 10 minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee. **MOTION CARRIED.**

At 7:00 p.m., Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to return to Regular Session. **MOTION CARRIED**. The Board took no action in Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

BOB WILLIS TANYA ROBACKER

CHAIR OF THE BOARD DISTRICT SECRETARY

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RECORDER