**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**August 12, 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 District Headquarters – 17520–22nd Ave E, Tacoma, Washington. Present: Chair Willis, Vice Chair Holm, Commissioners Coleman, Eckroth, and Stringfellow, Fire Chief Olson, Assistant Chiefs Beckman and Jackson, FD Robacker, HRD Schwabe, CGRO Shaw, L726 President James and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Willis led the flag salute.

Chair Willis announced the excused absence of Ex-Officio Door.

**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.

**CONSENT AGENDA (SINGLE MOTION)**

1. Excused Absences: Ex-Officio Door
2. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of July 22, 2019
3. Approval of:

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| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53116 to 53118 totaling | $ | 344,000.87 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53119 to 53161 totaling | $ | 163,858.13 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53162 to 53192 totaling | $ | 409,671.47 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53193 to 53204 totaling | $ | 3,841,517.83 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53205 to 53206 totaling | $ | 0.00 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53207 to 53208 totaling | $ | 1,114,192.37 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53209 to 53213 totaling | $ | 548,796.22 |
| Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107255 to 107255 totaling | $ | 794.50 |
| Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107256 to 107266 totaling | $ | 35,988.28 |
| Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107267 to 107267 totaling | $ | 615.10 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 52775 to 52775 totaling | $ | (74.00) |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53019 to 53019 totaling | $ | (2,900.00) |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 53035 to 53035 totaling | $ | (170.00) |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | $ | 6,456,290.77 |

Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling $6,456,290.77. **MOTION CARRIED**.

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

1. Resolution No. 19-09 Mid-Year Budget Amendment

Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to approve Resolution No. 19-09. **MOTION CARRIED**.

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

No new business.

**CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUESTS**

* 1. IT Director Employment Contract

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to approve the IT Director Employment Contract with Jay Kay, as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**.

* 1. Station 61 Hose Tower Bid Award

The District received two bids for demolition of the Station 61 hose tower. Staff recommended accepting the lowest bid from Johnsons Masonry for $31,921.75, including tax. Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to award Johnsons Masonry the demolition contract for the Station 61 hose tower for $31,921.75, including tax. **MOTION CARRIED**.

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

L726 President James updated the Board on union activities.

The following divisions provided a written report in the packet.

1. Strategic Plan Update – Task Team Member FF Chad Brunton reviewed a PowerPoint presentation. Copies of slides were included in the Board packet.
2. Training - AC Juarez was not available to provide a verbal report.
3. Health and Safety - AC Jackson provided a division update, which included July reported injuries.
4. Logistics – A/C Stueve provided a written report.
5. Human Resources – HRD Washo updated the Board on topics in her written report.
6. Community & Government Relations Officer - Capt. Shaw highlighted topics in his written report.
7. Fire Chief – Chief Olson reviewed topics in his written report. His report included 2018 Annual Report of Service Level Objectives and the State Auditor’s Audit Entrance Letter. Chief reviewed residential design and building recommendations that would allow for better confinement of fire spread to the occupancy of origin to minimize the loss of life and protect homes.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* Code STEMI (4)

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Commissioner Holm** commented on the valuable information from the culture survey and noted the important work that needs to be done. He is interested to see the results of the Strategic Plan annual update. He greatly appreciated the effort and time put into the survey and its presentation.

**Commissioner Stringfellow** passed on a “shout out” to CGRO Shaw from residents he spoke with recently. He is putting out great work every day. The new labeling on the fire engines looks good.

**Commissioner Coleman** appreciated the survey and noted the coming months will be challenging.

**Commissioner Eckroth** shared that a community group has formed against the proposed center lane down Pacific Ave. The property purchased for the new Station 61 needs its landscaping addressed. He would like to see employees, if they see needs at District properties like that, to say something. Regarding proposed changes to the District’s corridors, as long as the county is willing to accept the information in the document on design/building shared by Chief Olson, the impacts to our citizens would not be as great.

**Commissioner Willis** - Chief and others in administration are having ongoing debates with Pierce County departments on proposed changes to the District’s corridors. Pierce County is not addressing the effects on public safety or addressing how to mitigate the potential issues. They should be facilitating firefighters to the scene of a situation, not fighting against it. Fire growth will get worse and it will take longer for additional units to get to a major fire. They are creating an impossible situation that will take lives. He expressed his concern that county administration, the county planning director, and county council is taking that side.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

BOB WILLIS TANYA ROBACKER

CHAIR OF THE BOARD DISTRICT SECRETARY

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RECORDER