

**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 9, 2020**

Chair Holm called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order at 5:00 p.m. at District Headquarters – 17520–22nd Ave E, Tacoma, Washington. Present were Chair Holm, Commissioners Willis, Coleman, and Eckroth, Ex-Officio Door, Assistant Chiefs Juarez, Beckman, Overby, Kent and Stueve, FD Robacker, HRD Washo, CGRO Shaw, Local 726 President James, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Holm led the flag salute.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS (FOR ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY ON THE AGENDA)

No citizen comments.

CONSENT AGENDA (SINGLE MOTION)

- A. Excused Absences: Commissioner Stringfellow
- B. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of February 24, 2020
- C. Approval of:

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| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 54304 to 54336 totaling | \$ | 158,932.58 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 54337 to 54348 totaling | \$ | 4,031,342.20 |
| Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107355 to 107363 totaling | \$ | 34,435.92 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 54349 to 54377 totaling | \$ | 153,109.16 |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 54228 to 54228 totaling | \$ | (318.00) |
| Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 54329 to 54329 totaling | \$ | (16,350.91) |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$ | 4,361,150.95 |

Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling \$4,361,150.95. **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

- A. Fire Benefit Charge Appeal

Carlene Easterwood submitted a request to reduce the Fire Benefit Charge on her mobile home park (parcel no. 0420226009) from a commercial rate to residential rate.

Structures under the parcel are carports only, are of minimal value, and any fire response would be considered a residential response. Individual mobile homes on the property each pay a benefit charge. Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve reducing the 2020 fire benefit charge on parcel no. 0420226009 from a commercial rate of \$1,270.44 to a residential rate of \$319.40. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Paramedic/Firefighter Hiring Notification

The document memorializes the hire date and seniority rank of the new employees based upon their total weighted score from their respective pre-employment hiring process. For this academy, the ranking was the Firefighter/Paramedic candidates first, followed by the Firefighter candidates.

C. 2020 Washington State Fair Service Agreement

Staff and Fair administration met to discuss the contract. Agreed amount is 2019 costs plus CPI. Commissioner Eckroth moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to approve the 2020 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Contract with the Washington State Fair for \$197,224.74. **MOTION CARRIED.**

D. Public Educator Job Description and Salary Schedule

The 2020 adopted budget included the new position of Public Educator. The Board reviewed the job description and salary schedule.

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

CGRO Shaw gave a presentation on the 2020 Marketing and Outreach Plan. Copies of the PowerPoint slides were included in the Board packet.

The following Staff members provided a written report in the packet:

- A. Community and Government Relations Officer – Capt. Shaw
- B. January Investment Report – FD Robacker
- C. 2020 Operational Goals – Chief Olson/Russ Karns
- D. Training - AC Juarez reported that Class 20-1 Academy started today.
- E. Health and Safety - AC Jackson
- F. Logistics – AC Stueve
- G. Human Resources – HRD Washo reported that entry-level recruitment oral boards for are postponed for the time being.
- H. DC Operations – DC Stueve reported that the low-acuity units are responding. He provided an update on internal planning for COVID-19.

L726/P James updated the Board on union activities. He thanked the Board for providing the tools for employees to stay safe.

DC Karns gave a status update on Station 72.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Letters of Appreciation
- B. Correspondence to Chief Gibson

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ex-Officio Door updated the Board on Puyallup City Council activities.

Commissioner Coleman had no comment.

Commissioner Eckroth mentioned that Medicare/Medicaid came out with a Coronavirus coverage update.

Commissioner Willis believes that it is best to keep going forward with construction of Station 72 and not occupy before completion. The community outreach plan has been much needed.

Commissioner Holm is excited to bring a public educator onboard due to the importance to be out in the community. He congratulated Mayor Door on running for 25th District senator. South Sound 911 hired a new executive director.


ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned 5:48 p.m.



MATTHEW HOLM
CHAIR OF THE BOARD



TANYA ROBACKER
DISTRICT SECRETARY



DIANNE PORTER
RECORDER