

BENTON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular meeting of February 6, 2018.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Morris called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Benton County Fire District No. 1 to order at 9:00 a.m. at 7511 W. Arrowhead Ave., Kennewick, Washington. In attendance at this meeting were Commissioner Houchin, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Sleater, and Financial Manager Paden-Lilly. Fire Chief/District Secretary Click was present via teleconference.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED LOG

The correspondence received log was reviewed.

CORRESPONDENCE SENT

The correspondence sent was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Sleater made a motion to approve the January 16, 2018, minutes as submitted. Commissioner Houchin seconded the motion and the motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fund Transaction Details

Presented to the Board were 2018 transactions #133 through #181. The transactions total \$42,539.49. General Fund \$37,421.74; Hazmat Fund \$10.00; Fire Training Center Operations Fund \$3,461.28; SCBA Fund \$1,427.53 and Capital/Building Fund \$218.94. Commissioner Houchin made a motion to approve the vouchers. Commissioner Sleater seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The voucher registers are attached to these minutes and constitute a part thereof.

Transaction Summary Reports

The budget expenditure report was reviewed.

REPORTS

Commissioners, chief and staff reported the following:

- Chief Click reported that he and Chief Harris, from Franklin #3, attended the Washington Fire Commissioners/Washington Fire Chiefs Legislative Day in Olympia on January 25. The WFC and WFC are monitoring the following bills: HB2508 Repealing an expiration date that affects State Fire Service Mobilization; SHB2576 Allowing Fire Protection Districts annexations and mergers within a reasonable geographic proximity; SB6321 specifying that Fire Protection Districts and Regional Fire Protection Service Authorities are Taxing Districts for distributing Public Utility Revenues. Three bills are related to property taxes/revenues including SB5772 Replacing the one-percent property tax revenue limit with a limit tied to cost drivers (not exceeding 105%). Two bills are related to Law Enforcement and Firefighters (LEOFF) including SB6214 allowing industrial insurance coverage for posttraumatic stress disorders of law enforcement and firefighters, and there are seven other miscellaneous bills related to the Fire Service.

- The following day Chief Click attended the Fire Defense Committee meeting. There is a lot going on this year, including Mobilization Plan updates. The Committee held their annual elections for 2018, and Chief Click was elected Vice-Chair.
- Captain Gutzmer reported that Hazmat Awareness is complete for Recruit School, he is still waiting on IFSAC testing results, EVIP is complete with all participants passing, and Hazmat Ops begins this week.
- Captain Bush reported that the Maintenance Department is in the middle of service; they just finished water tenders and are working on Type I apparatus. Quotes to standardize nozzles on apparatus was received from LN Curtis, and the order was approved for purchase. Wiring has been run in two stations, so that the sprinkler alerting system can be complete.
- Captain Bush reported that the next Type 5 Skeeter should be in production before too long. It should be complete and ready for pick up in April.
- Captain LoParco reported that a nozzle hose maneuvering class will be starting mid-month.
- PIO Baker reported that a Letter to the Editor from Chief Click was published in the Tri-City Herald requesting input from the public regarding the possible EMS levy. KONA radio picked up the story and interviewed her.
- PIO Baker attended the Finley Elementary Community Open House and had a chance to talk with the community regarding the possible EMS levy. The community seems very positive regarding the issue and is aware of the possibility of an EMS levy.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Resident Firefighter Applications

Commissioner Sleater made a motion to approve Resident Firefighter Applications for Joel Casillas and Ryan Dawson. Commissioner Houchin seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Board of Commissioner meeting will be on February 20.
- The next Tri-County Commissioners Association meeting will be on February 10, at the Fire Training Center.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.