



Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety

*Protecting and Serving the City of Maple Valley,
and the Greater Maple Valley Area*

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, February 21, 2013

Attending: Commissioners DeBay, Walls and VanRuff; Fire Chief Doerflinger; Lieutenant DiDonato; Firefighter McCormick; Administrative Assistant Ingrid Fine;
Members of the Public; Amanda McDonald, Warren Iverson, Dave Fields, Sean P. Kelly

Excused Absence: Deputy Chief Cowan, Commissioners McGee and Scott

Chairperson DeBay called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Minutes:

A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously carried to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 2/7/2013.

Financial Report:

The following reports were reviewed for information:

- Expense Report –February 2013:
- Cash Balance & Reconciliation – January 2013
- Transport Billing – January 2013

Correspondence:

- WFCA – Saturday Seminar Series – Reviewed for information.

Meetings:

- Legislation Conference 2-20-2013: Chief Doerflinger reported that he and Commissioner VanRuff attended the conference and met with Legislators. Priority topics included; HB 1652 which speaks to the deferral of the collection of impact fees; HB 1820 which addresses LOEFF employee's retirements not being adversely affected by concessions; HB 1263 on transport collection going directly to fire departments instead of the insured; HB 1136 increasing EMS Levy capacity from \$.50 to \$.75. All the Legislators were also asked to support any bills that may come forward that would assist in funding fire departments, as many fire departments are facing financial challenges currently. Commissioner VanRuff also reported that the Governor met with them as well.

Public Comment:

- Warren Iverson
- Sean P. Kelley

Business:

- Resolution R-2013-005 Special Election Levy: A Resolution placing an excess levy on the April 23rd ballot was presented by Chief Doerflinger. The levy would authorize the District to collect the sum of 1.5 million for three consecutive years beginning in 2014. **A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously passed approving Resolution R-2013-005.**
- Resolution R-2013-006 Voter's Pamphlet Participation : A Resolution authorizing the District to participate in the April voters pamphlet was presented by Chief Doerflinger. **A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously passed approving Resolution R-2013-006.**
- SOG 43-5000 Asset Inventory Tracking & Management: This ended the two week review period of the revised SOG. **A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously passed approving SOG 43-5000.**
- Promotions: Due to Deputy Fire Chief Cowan leaving April 1st, and the previously approved promotion of Battalion Chief David O'Brien to Deputy Chief, Chief Doerflinger recommended three promotions effective March 15, 2013. **A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously passed approving the promotion of Captain Jeff DiDonato to Battalion Chief, Lieutenant Greg Lewis to Captain, Firefighter Jeff Bingaman to Lieutenant.** There will be an Official Ceremony for the promotions at the Commissioners Meeting on March 7th.
- Transport Billing Paid by Tax Revenue Worksheet: Chief Doerflinger presented the Board a study of the history of transport billing and the amounts previously paid by tax revenue. Discussion followed and an explanation was given on the variances in the history of use.

Personnel

Career/Volunteer Staff

- Fire Chief Doerflinger reported that the District currently has one employee with a minor ankle injury.

Operations:

Training

- Volunteer Firefighters: Chief Doerflinger reported that we have seven volunteers going through the academy in Buckley who will be graduating in June.

Incidents

- Hobart Fire: Chief Doerflinger reported on a house fire that occurred Sunday in the Hobart area. Water supply became an issue due to the long driveway (1300 feet) and the nearest hydrant being about 2.5 miles away. The crews received mutual aid from Enumclaw, Renton, Eastside and Kent.

Support Services

Fire Marshal's Office

- Impact Fees collections were reviewed for information.
- Development: Chief Doerflinger reported on a new building plan behind Safeway at Four Corners. Fire Marshal Webster has a pre application hearing this month for this plan.

Public Education

- Nothing to report.

Apparatus & Equipment

- Chief Doerflinger reported that the new tender has not been delivered yet and that the new rescue vehicle is not in service yet.

Facilities

- Chief Doerflinger reported that the final proceeds from the sale of the station 86 property was \$264,612.41 after closing.

Events:

- Department Banquet 3/2/13:

Public Comment:

- Warren Iverson
- Amanda McDonald
- Sean P. Kelly

A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously carried to approve *Revised Payroll* for \$156,574.97 2/15/13, *Revised Taxes* for \$32,088.26 2/15/13, *Revised Deferred Comp* for \$7,475.00 2/15/13, *Revised Retirement* for \$28,181.72 2/15/13

A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously carried to approve vouchers #02084 through #02115 for \$39,044.74; #02116 through #02118 for \$2,248.98; Payroll for \$159,360.89; Payroll Taxes for \$31,847.00; Retirement for \$28,933.11; Deferred Comp for \$7,475.00.

With no further regular business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. for approximately 10 minutes.

RCW 42.30.140 (4)(a) Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of labor agreement.

The Executive Session ended at 7:00 p.m. and the regular meeting was resumed.

Discussion continued on the current state of the budget and the need for the levy. With no further regular business before the Board, **A MOTION was made, seconded and unanimously carried to close the meeting at 7:05 pm.**

Chairperson Gabe DeBay

Commissioner Mike Scott

Commissioner William VanRuff

Commissioner Camille Walls

Commissioner Brian McGee

Michele de Leon, District Secretary