

Spokane County Fire Protection District 8

MINUTES

Regular Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting

Station 81

June 9, 2009

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by Chair Hesse at 6:03 p.m. In Attendance: Commissioner Lee Boling, Commissioner Jonathan Ferraiuolo, Commissioner Gregory Hesse, Chief William Walkup, Deputy Chief Lonnie Rash, Carol Trescott, Administrative Assistant, members of the District, and guests.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Added to the Agenda:

- Executive Report, Item C. Contract Negotiations
- Executive Report, Item D. Medical Services Officer

Motion made by Commissioner Ferraiuolo, and seconded by Commissioner Boling:

The meeting Agenda is approved as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Ferraiuolo, and seconded by Commissioner Hesse:

The Consent Agenda is approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Commissioner Activity Reports and Travel Guidelines – The Board discussed what activities constitute official District business and therefore may be submitted for commissioner compensation, as well as guidelines regarding per diem and travel reimbursement. The policies of several fire districts and recommendation provided by Snure Law Offices were studied. The Board forwarded portions of those policies and their interests to Chief Walkup for creation of a draft resolution on guidelines for compensation of commissioner services. The Board asked that Commissioners Expense Reimbursements for the previous 90 days be forwarded to them electronically; if any questions arise regarding those reimbursements they will be addressed at the next regular meeting. All future requests for commissioner reimbursement will be approved by a majority of the Board prior to processing.

NEW BUSINESS

None

EXECUTIVE REPORT: Chief Walkup

A. Station 82 Update – The District received clearance from Fulcrum Environmental in connection with the mold remediation at Station 82. Fulcrum is to issue a final closeout report documenting there to be no health hazard to staff or District members who work and live at the station. SCFD8 received approximately \$7,000 from its insurance provider for the ice damage believed to have caused the mold. A portion of the repair expense is also to be covered by FEMA as a result of the emergency declaration made by the federal government in relation to last winter's storms. Actual out-of-pocket expense to the District is expected to be minimal.

B. Rescue Pumper – Chief Walkup and Chief Nielsen inspected the District’s new rescue pumper at the manufacturing facility in South Dakota. A number of minor issues were discovered and modifications will be made before the apparatus leaves the plant. Assembly is well ahead of schedule; the rescue pumper is to arrive at General Fire in Spokane where it will undergo dealer prep and District staff will receive training prior to being put into service.

C. Contract Negotiations – The Commissioners are to submit any items they wish to see addressed in upcoming labor contract discussions to Chief Walkup. Commissioner Boling will serve as Board representative; Chief Rash will serve as lead for the District and will compile a list of District interests and issues. Meeting dates are forthcoming.

D. Medical Services Officer Position – Tom Chavez has been selected Medical Services Officer and will begin his duties in that capacity June 16, 2009.

CORRESPONDENCE

Attached

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioner Boling will seek re-election to the BoFC in the fall election and will run unopposed.
- Spokane County Fire Commissioners Association meeting is Thursday, July 9, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held July 14, 2009, 7:00 pm at Station 81.

Gregory A. Hesse, Chair
Fire District 8 Commissioner

ATTEST:

William A. Walkup
District Secretary