



**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.14
COMMISSIONERS' SPECIAL MEETING
April 28, 2015**

PRESENT: Commissioner Larry Moore, Commissioner RobRoy Graham, Commissioner Leonard Bjornstad, District Chief Jerry DeBruin, Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp, Battalion Chief Denise Christensen, Training Division Lieutenant David Moe and District Administrator Jo Olson.

ABSENT: Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr.

Note: Training Division Lieutenant Moe and Battalion Chief Van Middendorp went on a call at 5:21PM to 6:03PM

GUEST: Stephen Johnson

Meeting called to order at 5:08 PM at Kendall Fire Station.

Items signed by the Commissioners:

- Regular meeting minutes read and approved with minor correction noted
- Invoice Vouchers

Levy Lid Discussion:

- Commissioner Graham spoke about the Funding Group meeting he attended where Levy Planner Helen Chatalas from King County spoke to their Levy Lid experiences and lessons learned
- Commissioner Graham spoke to how King County breaks down the percentages for money spent on Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Life Support (ALS), and Regional Group/Reserve Fund, regardless of whether they were fully or partially funded
- Commissioner Graham commented that it was noted BLS is the backbone of the system by the King County Speaker
- Commissioner Graham spoke to the letter he is writing about a day in the life of a volunteer, for the public to have insight into what it takes to be a volunteer
- Discussion continued on volunteers and public awareness and the differences between ALS and BLS
- Commissioner Bjornstad spoke about a patient speaking to his or her experiences
- Commissioner Moore discussed what photographs should be used in the creation of our newsletter
- Battalion Chief Christensen wants to make sure each station is represented in the districts newsletter to the public
- District Chief DeBruin indicated we need to decide what information makes the most impact for our newsletter
- Commissioner Moore indicated he checked into purchasing signs for placing out in the community before the election for public awareness
- Commissioner Graham discussed getting the newsletter put together as soon as possible
- Discussion continued on where to have it printed
- Commissioner Bjornstad suggested getting a list of registered voters in our area and do a mailing from that list
- District Chief DeBruin discussed having a community meeting in the near future, inviting some key people in our community and presenting our Levy Lid plan to them
- As discussion continued on whom should be invited, a list was made of invitees and a date of May 14, 2015, at 7:00 PM at the Kendall Station, was set
- Details of the attentive meeting were discussed
- Commissioner Moore is going to check on when the last Levy Lid was done in our district
- Commissioner Moore asked for a recap of what needs to be done before our next regular meeting and for Levy Lid
- A PowerPoint presentation was assigned to Training Division Lieutenant Moe and Battalion Chief Christensen
- Responsibility for inviting folks to the community meeting, set for May 14, 2015, was split up
- Sign verbiage assigned to Commissioner Moore

District Chief DeBruin:

- District Chief DeBruin updated everyone on the new tender
- Commissioner Bjornstad asked District Chief DeBruin if we have received any more information about expanding the Kendall Station
- District Chief DeBruin indicated there was really nothing new to report - because of how this area is zoned, expansion is limited to a set square footage due to small commercial zoning
- Discussion continued on the restrictive zoning laws

GUEST:

- Stephen Johnson was asked by Commissioner Moore if he had any input on what was discussed
- Stephen Johnson indicated he didn't but liked our discussion
- Stephen Johnson was invited to attend the attentive May 14 meeting, and was encouraged to invite folks from his Men's Group

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 PM.

The next regular meeting will be at Kendall Station on May 12, 2015 at 5:00 PM

COMMISSIONER-CHAIR---Larry Moore

COMMISSIONER---RobRoy Graham

COMMISSIONER---Leonard Bjornstad

DISTRICT ADMIN---Jo Olson