



**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.14
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
February 12, 2019**

PRESENT: Commissioner RobRoy Graham, Commissioner Leonard Bjornstad, Commissioner Moe, District Chief Jerry DeBruin, Training Officer David Moe, and District Administrator Jo Olson

ABSENT: Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp, Battalion Chief Denise Christensen, and Chief Frank Cain Jr.

GUESTS:

Regular Meeting called to order at 2:50 PM at Kendall Fire Station, Early Time Due to Weather Event

Items signed by the Commissioners:

- Regular meeting minutes read and approved
- Warrants in the amount of \$212,633.87
- Payroll in the amount of \$36,441.25

Hand Outs:

- Bank of the Pacific Report

January's Treasurers No Report:

- Report not available but read current totals from the Treasurer's office
- FD #14 Expense (714) cash \$165,310.48
- FD #14 (714) Investments \$173,040.53
- FD #14 Reserve (71420) investments \$487,185.28

Bank of the Pacific Statement:

- Beginning Balance (01/01/2019) \$10,034.64
- Deposits/Misc. Credits 20 \$23,767.40
- Withdrawals/Misc. Credits 5 \$30,192.71
- Ending Balance (01/31/2019) \$3,609.33

Kendall Loan Cost Transfer:

- Commissioners agree NOT to transfer \$15,000 from the 714 account to the 71420-reserve account

Old Business:

New Ambulance:

- Ambulance invoice has been received
- Ambulance should be ready by the end February, hopefully
- Transfer of funds from 71420 reserve account to the 714 expense fund account was discussed
- Commissioners agree to transfer the cost of the ambulance
- District Admin. Olson to transfer funds from 71420 Reserve to 714 Expense

Paid Family & Medical Leave:

- District Admin. Olson noted the deduction is being applied to the applicable personnel in the payroll system

Welcome and Kendall Station Outside Lights:

- Commissioner Graham asked about outside lighting at the Welcome and Kendall stations
- Training Officer Moe indicated we are still waiting for the repair to happen
- Discussion continued on lighting including long wait times for an electrician

Kendall Remodel:

- Commissioner Graham asked about Kendall remodel
- Training Officer Moe indicated no drawings back from the original place
- Commissioner Moe said he has left messages and has received no response
- District Chief DeBruin and Training Officer Moe said also no response from the place in Chehalis, Washington
- District Chief DeBruin noted Tony Freeland submitted the change order to the County
- District Chief DeBruin indicated we have received no response from that submittal
- Discussion continued on building, cost and permits

New Business:

Short Term Disability Insurance in Employment Agreement for District Chief and Training officer:

- District Chief indicated after asking around that Short Term Disability Insurance should be removed from our employment agreement
- Discussion continued
- District Admin. will put together amendment making Short Term Disability not applicable

Training Officer David Moe:

EMT Class:

- Training Officer Moe indicated all is going okay in the EMT class

Nitrous Oxide:

- Training Officer Moe noted the nitrous oxide is now being used

ImageTrend Rollout:

- Training Officer Moe spoke about ImageTrend
- Discussion continued

AT&T:

- Training Officer Moe indicated we are now using a new carrier AT&T
- Discussion continued on better service area etc. as well as possibility of fiber optic lines being put in the area

District Chief DeBruin:

City of Sumas Leasing District Property in Sumas:

- District Chief DeBruin indicated the City of Sumas Mayor would like to come out and talk with us at one of our meetings about leasing this property
- Commissioner Moe noted we would need to see what's involved and the legality of doing so
- Discussion continued

Jeff Margolis and KAVZ Radio:

- District Chief DeBruin indicated Jeff Margolis contacted him about putting a booster at the Welcome station for emergency type broadcasting
- District Chief DeBruin noted KAVZ Radio is a non-profit organization
- District Chief DeBruin said if we did decide to go forward, we would need an agreement in place
- Discussion continued

Fire Station Reports:

- Station 1, Sumas Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp
 - Battalion Chief Van Middendorp absent

- Station 2, Kendall Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr.
 - Battalion Chief Cain Jr. absent

- Station 3, Welcome Battalion Chief Denise Christensen
 - Battalion Chief Christensen absent
 - District Chief DeBruin indicated that Battalion Chief Christensen noted Initial attack 93 (IA-93) needs checking as something is not quite right with it
 - District Chief DeBruin indicated they will have IA-93 looked at

Good of the Order:

- District Chief DeBruin indicated when Commissioner Graham and him were at the East County Meeting they got to see Acme's new pumper-tender
- Discussion continued on the new pumper/tender

Regular Meeting adjourned 3:40PM

The next regular meeting will be at Kendall Station on March 12, 2019 at 5:00 PM

Commissioner-Chair, RobRoy Graham

Commissioner, Leonard Bjornstad

Commissioner, Chris Moe

District Administrator, Jo Olson