MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire District No. 2 was held remotely on April 19, 2022, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance, pursuant to virtual meeting software Go To Meeting, were: Commissioners Elwell, Sitterley, and Peden. Also attending virtually were: Chief Mike Marrs, Assistant Chief Wayne Metz, Assistant Chief Ray Pettigrew, Administrator Trina Norsen, IAFF Local 1461 President Matt Ready, and Acting District Secretary Eric Quinn. Others in attendance will be shown on the Attendance Roster.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Commissioner Elwell who led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Agenda Approval. It was moved, seconded and carried 3-0 to approve the agenda as submitted immediately prior to the meeting.

Presentations/Announcements.

a. Presentations: The Call Summary Reports were presented by AC Metz. Retired Chief and Commissioner Gary Hobbick passed away on April 16, 2022. Chief Marrs will let everyone know when services are.

b. Announcements:

April 28: Retirement Celebration for Chief Pettigrew to be held at Station 28, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Public Comment. Firefighter Walker made a public comment. He was curious about the status of Colby Cruz. He indicated that President Matt Ready had reached out to the commissioners regarding Cruz. Firefighter Walker stated that Mr. Cruz has the "full support of Local 1461."

Correspondence. None.

Local 1461 Comment. President Matt Ready wished the Commissioners a good evening. He had nothing further to add.

Administration Reports. Chief Marrs delivered the Chief's report as follows:

Operational Update: Chief Metz delivered the update from operations. He discussed call volumes and noted that they are up slightly from the previous year at this point in the year. He outlined some shootings that have occurred. There were also two

residential fires. AC Metz discussed the recruits and the process involving them, such as the dates of beginning of academy.

<u>Facilities.</u> The administration is considering a contract with a general contractor for the tenant improvements at Station 19, without going out to bid as the amount may fall under the threshold for small works. There is nothing for the board to consider today. The Board will need to decide whether it wishes to scale the project back to get under \$350,000.00, but that may result in the district not getting the things we need. If it does not, we will proceed to competitive bidding.

Equipment. Chief Marrs discussed the short list of surplus items.

Personnel. The Retirement Celebration for AC Pettigrew will be on April 28th.

There are motions for permanent promotion to Captain under New Business, for Tim Lehner and Brien Marcus to replace Captains Tim Zimnisky and Jason Gay who were moved to the Inspector positions.

Under New Business, there is a motion to make a conditional offer of employment for one additional firefighter for the August academy, because the district was able to get one added spot in the academy.

Events. Chief Marrs presented the Covid-19 update and said the numbers are creeping up. He spoke with Dr. Rea recently regarding the need for firefighter/EMTs to be fully vaccinated and boosted. He discussed vaccine recommendations applicable to health care workers.

Attorney Eric Quinn discussed updates to the Open Public Meetings Act.

Trina sent out an email inquiring as to whether the second meeting in May could occur on May 24, and the board concurred in that change.

Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda, all of which was approved 3-0, upon a motion made by Commissioner Sitterley and seconded by Commissioner Peden, consisted of the Chief's Report, the meeting minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 2022, the declaration of surplus items for obsolete and/or damaged equipment not serviceable for current operations (list attached) and the Voucher Approval for April 2022 as follows: <u>Expense Fund:</u> Voucher No. 220401001 through No. 220401089 in the amount of \$1,641,980.17 due for payment on April 29, 2022.

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. <u>Motion: Employment Contract for Assistant Chief/Fire</u> <u>Marshal Position.</u>

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to approve the employment contract for Ray Desmarais for the position of Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal as submitted. The contract shall be effective May 1, 2022. Motion carried, 3-0.

Motion: Permanent Appointment to Captain – Tim Lehner.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to authorize Chief Marrs to promote Tim Lehner to a permanent Captain position. The start date for the position is May 1, 2022 with a probation period of twelve months. This promotion is being made from the 2021-2023 Captain Promotional list. Motion carried, 3-0.

Motion: Permanent Appointment to Captain – Brien Marcus.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to authorize Chief Marrs to promote Brien Marcus to a permanent Captain position. The start date for the position is June 1, 2022 with a probation period of twelve months. This promotion is being made from the 2021-2023 Captain Promotional list. Motion carried, 3-0.

Motion: Conditional Offer of Employment for Firefighter Recruit.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to authorize Chief Marrs to make a conditional offer of employment to Jared Bowser, to be effective August 15, 2022. The conditional offer of employment is subject to successful completion of a background check, medical and psychological tests, drug screen test, and completion of fire academy and is subject to an eighteen-month probationary period.

Executive Session: Chair Elwell announced a need for an executive session to review the performance of a public employee, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). Chief Marrs said the Board would need 15 minutes in executive session. The Board convened into executive session at 5:35 p.m. The session ended at 5:50 p.m., but the board waited for two minutes for participants to rejoin the meeting, and then the board reconvened in open session at 5:52 p.m.

Motion: To separate employment of Charlie Dow.

Commissioner Peden moved, and Commissioner Sitterley seconded, a motion to separate the employment of Charlie Dow, effective April 30, 2022, pursuant to the requirements of Governor Inslee's Proclamations 21-14.1 and 21-14.2. This is a non-disciplinary separation, and Mr. Dow is eligible for re-employment depending on his vaccination status, the availability of work and his fitness to perform the work. Motion carried, 3-0.

Motion: To separate employment of Colby Cruz.

Commissioner Peden moved, and Commissioner Sitterley seconded, a motion to separate the employment of Colby Cruz, effective April 30, 2022, pursuant to the requirements of Governor Inslee's Proclamations 21-14.1 and 21-14.2. This is a non-disciplinary separation, and Mr. Cruz is eligible for re-employment depending on his vaccination status, the availability of work and his fitness to perform the work. Motion carried, 3-0.

Good of the Order. None.

Adjournment. Pursuant to motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Attachments. Attached to these Minutes are copies of:

- 1. the Meeting Notice
- 2. the Meeting Agenda
- 3. the Attendance Roster
- 4. surplus property list
- 5. summary call reports
- 6. voucher approval
- 7. Employment Contract for Ray Desmarais

Minutes Approved: <u>May 3, 2022</u>.

Chris Elwell (May 3, 2022 19:00 PDT)

Chris Elwell Chairman

Attest:

Joseph F. Quinn Joseph F. Quinn (May 4, 2022 08:57 PDT)

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary

Ted Sitterley Commissioner

Rudy Peden Rudy Peden (May 3, 2022 18:19 PDT)

Rudy Peden Commissioner

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