

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 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 September 21, 2021, 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 Ray Pettigrew, Assistant Chief Wayne Metz, Trina Norsen, 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. (1) Presentations: AC Wayne Metz presented the call volume reports year-to-date. He commended the crews for their response to the Locker Room fire. He also said four recruits are doing well in academy. Chief's interviews for entry level firefighters will commence shortly.

(2) Announcements:

Sept 21-23, 2021 – Chief interviews for entry level firefighter position (Jan 22 hire date)

Sept 28-29, 2021 – Captains test for Eligibility List (Nov 2021 through Nov 2023)

Oct 21-23, 2021: WFCA 2021 Annual Conference at the Tulalip Resort

(Commissioners Elwell and Peden and District Secretary Quinn to attend)

Public Comment. None.

Correspondence. Certification letter from King County on the passing of Proposition No. 1 for a six-year period (2022-2027)

Local 1461 Comment. President Matt Ready commented on behalf of Local 1461, noting that he emailed the commissioners and Chief Marrs a letter from the Local that offered the Local's position as to the vaccine mandate of Proclamation 21-14.1. He read the letter out loud. Essentially, the Local is asking that those unvaccinated health care providers that have obtained an exemption be able to keep providing patient care. Chief Marrs spoke briefly about his attempts to contact the Department of Health about whether employees can keep providing patient care when they are unvaccinated but exempt. Chief Marrs and President Ready commended each other for working through the issues.

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

Facilities. N/A.

Equipment. Chief Marrs discussed the extended warranty for the new engines and ladder truck. He indicated that on the agenda there will be a motion to approve a comprehensive 8-year/100,000 mile warranty. Chair Elwell asked whether the warranty would apply to all three apparatus being purchased. Chief Marrs said the motion on the agenda is drafted broadly enough to apply to all three apparatus if coverage is available.

Personnel. The Chief said the deadline to apply for retirement in 2022 under the Salary Savings Program is September 30th.

Chief Marrs said there is a motion to promote Seth Maxwell to Captain effective October 1, 2021. This will fill the vacancy created by moving Ray Desmarais to the new Fire Marshal/Logistics position and Jason Gay into the Logistics position.

Chief Marrs updated the Board on the Local's request to bargain the impacts of the vaccine mandate. He voiced his frustration with federal and state agencies that have provided very little guidance about dealing with the mandates. The reality is that neighboring departments will not provide mutual and automatic aid to departments that presently employ unvaccinated health care providers. He inquired with King County EMS as to whether the District would lose its EMS funds if the District continued to employ unvaccinated health care providers, and let them treat patients. He also discussed insurance issues relating to coverage for unvaccinated health care providers in the event that a patient contracts Covid-19 and sues the District. He asked the District's insurer about that but did not receive a concrete answer.

Events. As a COVID-19 update, Chief Marrs told the Board that over 75% of King County citizens are fully vaccinated. However, there has been an uptick in Covid-19 deaths. There are more people dying now, per capita, than were dying in November of 2020.

AC Pettigrew discussed the Locker Room fire and presented a video about it.

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 minutes of the August 24th special meeting and the minutes of the September 7th regular meeting and voucher approval for September as follows: Expense Fund: Voucher No. 210901001 through 210901075 in the amount of \$1,353,779.98 due for payment by September 30, 2021.

Unfinished Business. None.

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New Business. 1. Motion: Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Additional Dayshift Captain.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to approve and authorize Chief Marrs to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between King County Fire District No. 2 and IAFF Local 1461 regarding the one year trial program for an Additional Dayshift Captain, effective October 1, 2021. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Motion: Permanent Assignment to Captain – Seth Maxwell.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to authorize Chief Marrs to promote Seth Maxwell to a permanent Shift Captain position, effective October 1, 2021, with a probation period of six months. This promotion is being made from the 2019-2021 Captain promotional list. Motion carried 3-0.

3. Motion: Warranty for New Engines.

Commissioner Sitterley moved, and Commissioner Peden seconded, a motion to approve and authorize Chief Marrs to purchase the 8-year/100,000 mile Protection Plan Plus Warranty for the new apparatus currently on order. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session. The Board convened into executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) to discuss contract negotiations. Chair Elwell announced that the session would last for 30 minutes. The Board went into executive session at 5:44 p.m. and the Chair extended the session at 6:14 for another 15 minutes. The session concluded at 6:29 p.m.

Good of the Order. Chief Marrs informed the Board that he would miss the next meeting but the Board will be in good hands.

Adjournment. Pursuant to motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Attachments. Attached to these Minutes are copies of:

1. the Meeting Notice
2. the Meeting Agenda
3. the Attendance Roster
4. September 2021 MOU on added dayshift employees
5. 2021 YTD call volume reports
6. Extended warranty materials
7. Certification of Election
8. B-Town Blog re White Center fire

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Minutes Approved: October 19, 2021


Chris Elwell (Oct 19, 2021 19:04 PDT)

Chris Elwell
Chairman

Attest:


Joseph Quinn (Oct 20, 2021 04:57 PDT)

Joseph F. Quinn, District Secretary


Ted Sitterley (Oct 20, 2021 08:03 PDT)

Ted Sitterley
Commissioner


Rudy Peden (Oct 21, 2021 09:21 PDT)

Rudy Peden
Commissioner

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