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MINUTES
Clark County Fire District 6 Commissioners Meeting
Regular Meeting
Station 1, 7:30 p.m.
July 20, 2010

POST

Members present:
Chairman Bloemke, Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Spring
Meeting called to order.
Commissioner Collins led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL FOR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

A Fairground Fire Facility Board report and discussion of a Board workshop will be included under Chief's Report.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion approving the July 6, 2010 regular meeting minutes and to have them posted for public view and on the website.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Safety: No report.
Parade: No activity.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda.

1. July Payroll Report:

<u>Fire Fund 6212</u>		<u>EMS FUND 6242</u>	
Salaries	\$304,153	Salaries	\$134,104
Volunteer Reimb.	\$12,909		
Vacation Buy Back	\$1,373	Vacation Buy Back	\$0
O.T./FLSA	\$39,009	O.T./FLSA	\$19,550
Out of Class		Out of Class	
Deferred Comp.	\$9,775	Deferred Comp.	\$4,275
Total	\$367,219	Total	\$157,929

(\$525,148)

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Benefits:

Retirement	\$25,378
FICA/Medicare	\$6,751
Medical/Dental Ins.	\$83,982
Long Term Dis. Ins.	\$712
(Deferred Comp	\$14,050)

2. Financial Report: (7/13/10 balance)

	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Invested</u>
Fire 6212	\$1,181	\$5,308,410
EMS 6213	\$15	\$5,650
Reg. Bond 6223	\$0	\$7
Capital Projects 6242	\$295	\$2,374,414
Reserve Fund 6257	\$0	\$181
Capital Reserve 6258	\$0	\$100,537

NEW BUSINESS:

Departing from the published agenda, the Board moved to New Business to provide a representative of ESCi, Martin Goughnour, an opportunity to provide information regarding studies his firm is conducting for Clark County Fire District 5.

Two projects are under study, the possible annexation of the City of Vancouver into Clark County Fire District 5, and a study regarding the feasibility for the creation of a Regional Fire Authority.

Clark County Fire District 5 is underwriting both studies and has extended an invitation to other departments that might wish to take part in the Regional Fire Authority study.

Currently Vancouver and Camas fire departments, Clark County Fire District 5, Cowlitz County Fire District 2 (Woodland), Clark County Fire & Rescue, and the City of Battle Ground have indicated their interest in participating.

A deadline of July 31st had been established as the last date an agency could declare their interest in participating.

The cost of the Regional Fire Authority study would be borne by Clark County Fire District 5, with any "soft costs" incurred to be paid by participants. Should District 6 wish to participate these "soft costs" would require "not so much" staff time.

The Board was concerned over the July 31st deadline and asked if an extension of that time constraint was possible. Mr. Goughnour felt that the deadline could be extended about two weeks – mid August without jeopardizing some pre-established timelines.

Apparently the Vancouver City Council is supportive of the annexation study, with Clark County Fire District 5 paying the costs. That study should be accomplished by the end of August or early September, and would parallel, and compliment the Regional Fire Authority study – which could take a half year to complete.

Agencies that participate in the Regional Fire Authority study would not be obligated to actually become part of any RFA, and there apparently are methods of withdrawing an agency from a RFA.

54.5% of ESCi is owned by the I-Chiefs organization.

The Board took no action as to whether it would have District 6 participate in the RFA study, indicating it wished to take additional time to consider it.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

The Voters' Pamphlet for the fall election has been published. No statement of opposition to the District 6 EMS measure was filed, and none is included in the pamphlet.

A slight decrease in overall overtime was noted in June, with staff continuing to look for other means to reduce overtime costs.

The Fairground Fire Facility Board has agreed to modify the operational fee schedule paid by District 6 and Clark County Fire & Rescue so that each agency will pay a 50% share of facility management beginning on January 1, 2011.

Staffing at Station 151 has shown improvement.

Staff indicated the need for a Board Workshop to be held to discuss finances and budgeting.

The Board indicated a September 15th date would be available with a 9 a.m. starting time.

OLD BUSINESS:

No additional information was provided regarding a Fire Cadet locker/dressing unit.

NEW BUSINESS:

Staff provided the Board with a report citing the possible benefits to be derived through the District's participation in the Regional Fire Authority study, and strongly recommended the Board consider having District 6 take part in the study.

The Board members received a letter from IAFF Local 1805 President, Ryan Reese, supporting the Districts participation in the Regional Fire Authority study and offering the Locals assistance to make the study a successful experience.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ROUNDTABLE:

Some District 6 personnel assisted at the Relay for Life event at Columbia River High School.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion authorizing the issuance of July payroll warrants for the County Treasurer.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion authorizing July issuance of payroll direct deposits for the County Treasurer.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion to authorize the July issuance of FICA/Medicare withholdings for the County Treasurer.

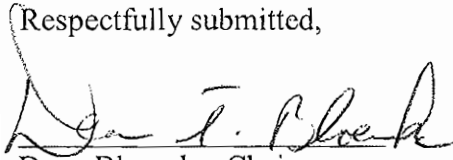
The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion authorizing the Preauthorization Invoice Transmittal for Visa charges.

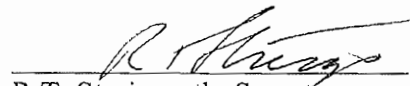
The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion authorizing payment of current bills in the amounts of:

Fund 6212	\$213,033.18
Fund 6242	\$80,820.72

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Dean Bloemke, Chairman


R.T. Streissguth, Secretary