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



Members present: Chairman Bloemke, Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Spring

Meeting called to order.
Commissioner Spring led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

The Board plans to take formal action to schedule a Special Workshop. This will be included under New Business.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion approving the August 17th regular meeting and August 19th Special Board meeting minutes and to have them posted for public view and on the website.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Fire District 6 was the recipient of a Certificate of Appreciation from the US Census Bureau for the assistance the District provided during the 2010 census.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. for a session expected to last for 30 minutes. The purpose of the session was to meet with Attorney's Patterson & Crouner to discuss legal and personnel issues.

Following three announced time extensions the Board returned to Open Session at 8:33 p.m.

The Chair advised that the Board had discussed legal and personnel issues in Executive Session and had taken no action.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Safety: No report
- Parade: No activity

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CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Number of Calls Report:

<u>Calls, August 2009</u>		<u>Calls, August 2010</u>	
EMS	442	EMS	448
Fire	62	Fire	77
Total	504	Total	525

<u>Calls to Date 2009</u>		<u>Calls to Date 2010</u>	
EMS	3005	EMS	3030
Fire	495	Fire	441
Total	3500	Total	3471

CHIEFS REPORT:

The Chief provided the Board with the July & August Station 15-1 Operations Report and advised that beginning September 1st resident staffing was increased to cover both A & B shifts from 1900-0700.

The manager of the Barrington Place Apartments immediately north of Station 61 contacted the District to voice concern over the damage that trees planted along the property line were causing to his complex.

The trees were planted in 1991, as required by the County Planning Department, which specified variety, size & spacing of the trees. The manager was of the opinion that the trees should be removed or trimmed and he thought the apartment owners might share in the cost of these actions.

Two quotes were obtained from Arborscape, one for removal and replanting for a cost between \$17,550 and \$21,450; and one for trimming & debris removal for \$3,900.

The Board asked that the county be consulted to determine if removal or trimming would be permissible since their installation was required by the county.

A decision of what action is to be taken will be made as additional information is obtained.

Station 63 was repainted by department personnel and has received many positive comments on its new appearance.

The project was coordinated by Captain Rich Chose and Firefighter Rick Dahlstrom, with the District providing the paint & materials.

Following the successful passage of the EMS funding measure the Chief sent personalized, hand written letters of appreciation to the media and others for their coverage and support of the District.

Four volunteer department members submitted resignations recently – one following being hired as a Portland firefighter, one following 32 years of service and two for personal reasons.

Captains Simukka, Newberry and Johns have successfully completed their one year of Trial Service and will receive certificates confirming their promotions.

OLD BUSINESS:

No additional information was provided regarding the Cadet locker / dressing room unit that is being considered. Some additional funding is expected this school year and 37 cadets are enrolled. All will be registered with the Volunteer Relief & Pension program.

No additional action was taken regarding a Training Captain Job description/classification plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

The current contract between AMR and EMS District 2 will end on September 30, 2010. AMR has asked for a two year extension which the County Commissioners have not done, citing concerns over a cost increase which will happen with the extension. Should the contract not be extended other private ambulance companies could operate in the EMS District 2 response area without time restraints or other standards which are in place. It may be legal for the City of Vancouver and Fire Districts to take over EMS District 2 and contract for ambulance service.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion to send a letter to the Chair of the Clark County Commissioners urging the continuation of a contract with AMR. Copies of the letter are to be sent to the other two county commissioners.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion to schedule a Special Board Workshop for 9:00 a.m., September 15th at Station 61. The workshop will review the 2011 budget.

ROUND TABLE:

Chairman Bloemke and Commissioner Spring plan to attend the Fall WFCM Conference and Snure Seminars. Assistant Chief Quitslund will also attend.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

The Fairgrounds Public Safety Complex will hold an Open House from 12:00-4:00 p.m. on September 18th.

Chief Quitslund will be available to discuss the Fire Safety Standards proposals, having been involved with their development.

The Board seconded and unanimously passed a motion authorizing payment of current bills.

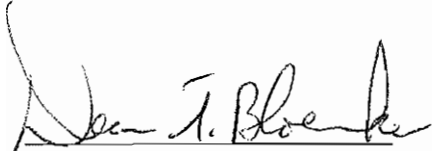
Fund 6212 Fire Invoices \$123,589.08

Fund 6242 EMS Invoices \$10,864.56


The Board seconded and unanimously approved motions authorizing its member's compensation for August.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Dean T. Bloemke, Chairman



R.T. Streissguth, Secretary