

Board of Commissioners Meeting

February 27, 2019

Chairperson Cameron called a regular Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 5:30 pm on February 27, 2019, at Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue Headquarters Station in the high school classroom. The following were present:

Commissioner Hallanger	Commissioner Headley
Commissioner Neves	Commissioner Olson
Chief LaFave	DC Ribelin
FA Ballinger	DFM Huff
Volunteer Coordinator Meller	HSO Agren
Public: Ron Laeger, Braun NW	

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hallanger to approve the February 13, 2019, BOC meeting minutes with edits. Commissioner Neves seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Headley to approve the February 15, 2109, BOC special meeting minutes with edits. Commissioner Neves seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Ron Laeger with Braun NW wanted to thank C2FR for its recent purchase of a new medic unit and complimented staff on their collaboration and being so easy to work with. He also thanked the board for their support of this capital purchase.

Awards & Recognition:

None

Verbal Reports:

Capital Improvement Project Update: DFM Huff provided a written report. Station 25 construction contract has been signed with Berschauer Group and we have received the performance bond. Preconstruction meeting is set for March 7 at 2:00 pm at station 21 in the high school classroom.

Pile driving is complete at station 22. Tapani is currently working on trenching around the pilings. Staff is working with RFM on a change order for wood ceiling instead of drop ceiling.

Written Reports:

St 24 Remodel: Chief LaFave presented three conceptual drawing options completed by Collins Architectural Group for the station 24 remodel. The consensus was option 1 since the plumbing would remain at the back of the station and add one or two more beds and an office/study area. Also, the bedrooms seem somewhat small with not a lot of personal storage area. Staff will work on these recommendations.

Action Items:

Interlocal Annexation Agreement for West Longview: Staff presented an interlocal agreement for the west Longview annexation that is between us, the City of Longview and Cowlitz County. The City of Longview is holding a public hearing for this tomorrow evening.

A motion was made by Commissioner Neves to approval the Interlocal Agreement for Annexation in West Longview to be signed by the Fire Chief. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Cowlitz 911 PA Board Representation: We currently have three board members on the PA board. Chairperson Cameron recommends that we limit that to two of our board members so that we are not in violation of the Open Public Meetings Act by having a quorum at one of these meetings. The rest of the board agrees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hallanger to appoint Commissioner Headley as the primary and Chief LaFave as the alternate on Cowlitz 911's PA Board. Commissioner Neves seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Chief's Report:

- SAFER Act Grant is open and staff is working on a proposal that would allow us to add additional line staff. We will need to do some budget planning and preparation if we are successful with this grant to keep employees long term. This grant is due March 22.
- At the December 26, 2018 board meeting, the purchase of a new medic unit was approved. However, due to change orders and sales tax, the total cost of the ambulance will exceed the initial approval, so staff is bringing this back for action for the board to approve the new total cost of the medic unit. *A motion was made by Commissioner Olson to approve the purchase of the medic unit for a total cost of \$168,265.22 to Braun NW. Commissioner Hallanger seconded the motion. No further discussion Motion carried.*
- March 21 from 9am to 1pm at station 21 in the high school class will be training by Brian Snure for open public meetings and records management. Commissioners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Payroll:

A motion was made by Commissioner Olson to approve payroll totaling \$219,012.25 for warrant numbers 57694 through 57707 and two EFT's dated February 20, 2019. Commissioner Hallanger seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Vouchers:

A motion was made by Commissioner Headley to approve vouchers totaling \$217,457.04 for warrant numbers 57708 through 57751 dated February 28, 2019. Commissioner Neves seconded

the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Drill Points:

A motion was made by Commissioner Headley to approve drill points totaling \$17,688.43 for warrant numbers 57548 through 57600 and one EFT dated January 31, 2019. Commissioner Hallanger seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Announcements:

- All call meeting is on March 20 at 6:00 pm at Kelso High School.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Cameron at 6:41 p.m.

Chairperson Cameron

District Secretary