

Board of Commissioners Meeting

March 27, 2019

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

The following were present:

Commissioner Hallanger

Commissioner Olson

FA Ballinger

BC Graham

FF/EMT Fisher

Commissioner Headley

Chief LaFave

DFM Huff

HSO Agren

BC Tone

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hallanger to approve the February 27, 2019, BOC meeting minutes as is. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

None

Awards & Recognition:

Chief LaFave reported that personnel worked extremely hard during all of the fires in and around our jurisdiction over a very short few day period last week. The fire in Rose Valley ended up being a state mobilization. Our callbacks for all of these fire were responded to well by our personnel. The Board thanked everyone for their efforts and appreciates that hard work and time away from families that people give up to help our citizens.

Verbal Reports:

None

Written Reports:

Capital Improvement Project Update: DFM Huff provided a written report. Station 25 preconstruction meeting with Berschauer Group went well and has already started setting up onsite to start working.

Still working with RFM on a change order for wood ceiling instead of drop ceiling at station 22. Site work is still occurring and moving along well. Staff has been happy with the progression there.

Action Items:

OAP 2019: Staff presented the updated organizational action plan (OAP). The board had several comments and requested edits. All of those were discussed in detail and staff will bring back a revised OAP next meeting for approval.

Chief's Report:

- Chief LaFave is proposing to hire one full time seasonal position for four months for wildland support and deployment this year. He estimates this will cost about \$15,000. The board supports trying this one year and evaluating the success of this before we do this again in the future.
- Update on the CAD system at Cowlitz 911.
- Update on new apparatus; engine, command vehicle and ambulance.
- Copies of the proposed floor plan for the station 24 remodel was distributed at the meeting tonight and reviewed. After some discussion, the board supports getting cost estimates for this and continuing the design work with the architect.

Payroll:

A motion was made by Commissioner Olson to approve payroll totaling \$217,227.12 for warrant numbers 57752 through 57770 and two EFT's dated March 5, 2019 and \$213,466.82 for warrant numbers 57825 through 57837 and two EFT's dated March 20, 2019. Commissioner Hallanger seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Vouchers:

A motion was made by Commissioner Headley to approve vouchers totaling \$6,586.96 for warrant numbers 57771 through 57773 dated March 6, 2019; \$709,494.86 for warrant numbers 57774 through 57824 dated March 15, 2019 and \$112,864.17 for warrant numbers 57838 through 57878 dated March 29, 2019. Commissioner Hallanger seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Announcements:

- All call meeting on March 20 was cancelled due to the numerous fire calls. Staff is working on setting a new date for this.
- June 13 from 9 am to 1 pm at station 21, John Murphy will be providing training. The board is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Cameron at 7:20 p.m.

Chairperson Cameron

District Secretary