



Board of Fire Commissioners

Regular Meeting Minutes February 2, 2021

Clark County Fire District 5
11606 NE 66th Street, Suite 103
Vancouver, WA 98662

Call Meeting to Order

Chair Gibson called the virtual Zoom meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Commissioners Lyons and Rhine were present. Also present at the meeting were Jennifer Bethke, Tareak Dahini, Sam Harrison, Chief Blue and Chief Hebert. Public invited to the meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88534973177?pwd=TTdNcGM0T0RpNGxiQUZBSml4eHNvZz09>

Meeting ID: 885 3497 3177

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Lyons moved to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021 regular meeting. Commissioner Rhine seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Election of 2021 Chair Pro Tem

Commissioner Lyons nominated Commissioner Rhine to be Chair Pro Tem for 2021. Chair Gibson seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Chief's Report

- A. New Deputy Chief – Chief Hebert introduced himself as the new Deputy Fire Chief of Vancouver Fire Department. He has 29 years of fire related experience in the Southern California area.
- B. Station 11 – Chief Blue informed the Board that the January bid process has been pushed out to March 2021. Construction costs in the current environment are somewhat unknown and there are some concerns about meeting budget.
- C. Co-branding – Chief Blue also informed the Board that co-branding is still being worked on, however the process has been slowed down due to COVID-19 issues in their shops.

Citizen's Communication

None



Consent Agenda

Commissioner Rhine moved to approve items A through F on the consent agenda. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

The consent agenda included the following items:

A. Commissioners Fund	\$	18,856.75
B. Commissioners Fund	\$	6,451.54
C. Commissioners Fund	\$	6,004.03
D. Commissioners Fund	\$	5,944.90
E. Payroll Transmittal – December 16 to 31, 2020	\$	24,531.02
F. Payroll Transmittal – January 1 to 15, 2021	\$	26,573.38

Communications

- A. Legislative language – Commissioner Rhine informed the Board that he and Administrator Bethke have been working on a Senate bill (SB5338) with local legislators and Senators that would allow District 5 to continue teaching occupational health and safety classes. Administrator Bethke has been working with and seeking the support of the local agencies that are affected by this SAO issue. Commissioner Rhine indicated that the bill has received positive attention and he and Administrator Bethke attended a virtual committee hearing this morning.

Secretary's Report

None

Old Business

- A. Merit increases – Commissioner Rhine asked if there was any progress on developing a merit increase process. Administrator Bethke indicated that she is currently working on this and would address this issue at a future board meeting.

New Business

- A. Fireworks Ban – Chief Blue advised the Board that Clark County rescinded their fireworks ban.



Board Communications

None

Executive Session

At 5:55 p.m. Chair Gibson moved to Executive session for 10 minutes to discuss employee performance.

At 6:05 p.m. Chair Gibson extended the executive session for 10 minutes.

At 6:15 p.m. Chair Gibson moved the meeting back to regular session.

No official Board action was taken following the Executive Session.

Adjournment

Commissioner Gibson adjourned at 6:15 pm

Sincerely,

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Chair

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Commissioner

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Z. Bethke", is written above a horizontal line.

Secretary to the Board

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Gibson", is written above a horizontal line.

Commissioner