

**North Mason Regional Fire Authority (NMRFA)
Meeting Minutes
Tahuya Fire Station
February 18, 2014**

Present: Commissioners Burrus, Quigley, McIntosh, Kewish, and Voss Petredis (via Skype), Chief Bakken, Asst. Chief Cooper and Volunteer, Sue Remmele.

Excused: Katie Patti, Shelby Blackwell

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

Commissioner Quigley moved to accept meeting minutes from 2/11/14 as presented; Commissioner Burrus seconded motion. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Financial report presented by Chief Bakken. Chief Bakken reported that the Mason County Auditor's office recently changed software programs to include Assessor's and Treasurer's office. There was a mistake in that the month's vouchers were paid from FD2 monies and not from FD8 and FD2 respectively. He stated that he's contacted the County and it will be resolved for past vouchers. Combined monies for both Districts currently sit at \$1.7 million.

Revenues for first three months of the year are low; but will steadily increase in April 2014 when property taxes are collected. Chief Bakken also was informed that the timber tax program is anticipating RFA monies at \$80,000-\$90,000 for the year. This money is not calculated in the budget at this time.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT:

The CRT graduation will be held on 3/1/14 at the Tahuya Fire Hall; there will also be a Community Open House held. The graduation and open house will be from 11:00am to 1:00pm; there will be food and refreshments.

The FD2 fire commissioner vacancy has had 3 applications. The position opening will close on 3/12/14. There will be a special meeting on 3/11/14 at 6pm for FD2 commissioners to interview candidates. The meeting will be held in executive session.

Chief Bakken informed the board that in addition to FF Bowman staffing the Tahuya station, other volunteers, including officers, have been active and present for response.

Chief Bakken stated that the NMRFA will start a hydrant inspection program for the hydrants in the local communities and water systems. Hydrants will be inspected and tested. The RFA will not be responsible for repairs. The purveyors will insure the hydrants are in working order. Standpipes will not be included in the program. In addition to use, the hydrants will also be included in the County's GIS plot and location program. It will help with service type and location information. The information will be beneficial to responders and WSRB. Jeromy Hicks will be point person for the program but the crews will perform a majority of the work.

On 3/8/14, there will be a RFA-wide all department drill. It will be a mock mass causality at lower Elfendall Pass Road. Briefing will begin at 9:00am.

The NMRFA Department dinner will be held on 3/15/14 at the Alderbrook Resort. Social hour will begin at 5:00pm and dinner will start at 6:00pm. There will be awards and recognition for members.

Capt. Gary Maurer submitted his resignation from NMRFA. Chief Bakken has been trying to set up an exit interview in order to get a better understanding as to the reason for the resignation and attempt to get him to stay.

MACECOM UPDATE:

The proposed lease/sale of the PUD building is back open for discussion. There was an offer that fell through and PUD is open again to resume talks. Chief Bakken and Director Evans will pursue options. MACECOM has billed FD2 and FD8 for 2013-2014 fees. It's a combined amount of each respective districts fees. For 2014, there will be a renegotiated amount based upon the RFA's calls and 2014 fee assignment. Finally, the volunteer 911 dispatcher academy started at the beginning of February 2014 and doing well.

The next Mason County Fire Commissioners Association meeting will be a joint meeting on 4/3/14 at the Shelton Civic Center. There will be a Spring Region 9 workshop at Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue on 3/29/14 from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. There is a \$30 registration fee. The RFA pays for education registration. Contact Katie Patti and she will register you for the training.

Nothing for Good of the Order

Commissioner Burrus moved to adjourn; Commissioner Quigley seconded motion. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.



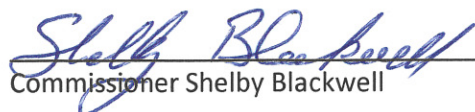
Katie Patti – District Secretary




Commissioner Kelley McIntosh



Commissioner Dan Burrus



Commissioner Shelby Blackwell



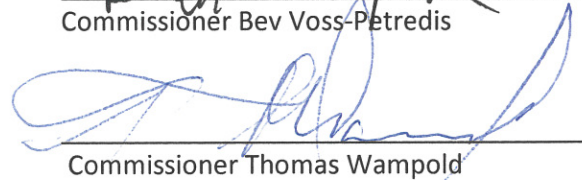
Commissioner Daniel Kewish



Commissioner Brooke Quigley



Commissioner Bev Voss-Petredis



Commissioner Thomas Wampold