

North Mason Regional Fire Authority (NMRFA) Meeting Minutes 460 NE Old Belfair Hwy 3/8/2016

Present: Commissioners Kewish, McIntosh, Quigley, Miller, Severson; Executive Assistant Patti, Chief

Bakken, Assistant Chief Cooper

Guests: Herb Gerhardt

The meeting from February 9th and 16th were presented for approval.

Commissioner Severson moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Quigley seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Vouchers- Vouchers for the month of March #1603001 to #1603094 in the amount of \$277,288.12 were presented for approval. There were no questions.

Commissioner Quigley moved to approve the vouchers as presented; Commissioner Kewish seconded the motion. Motion approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Chief Bakken will provide a financial update at next week's meeting.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Mike Greene Celebration of Life Recap: Most all of you were at Mike's memorial service. His wife Barbara was very thankful for our hard work. Many individuals came together to make this event a success. Commissioner Quigley remarked it was a very beautiful service. Thank you notes have been delivered to those who helped. There is one more gathering planned for Nevada in the coming weeks.

Authority Dinner Reminder: The dinner is being held on the 26th at Alderbrook. RSVP's are due this Friday.

Bike Helmet Handout (Belfair Elementary): Over 400 students at Belfair Elementary were outfitted with bicycle helmets as part of the AmeriCorps Grant.

South Kitsap Gas Explosion Investigation Assistance: South Kitsap officials requested Cpt. Jeromy Hick's assistance in investigating the explosion that occurred at a residence in Port Orchard. He spent two days on scene and gained valuable experience in the process.

Additional Cardiac Monitoring Funding: We have received additional \$40k funding from the Norcliff Corp. for the purchase of a second monitor for the RFA. This is on behalf of the 'Touching Lives, Saving Hearts" Campaign put on by the Harrison Foundation. We can't thank the Foundation and Mason County Public Hospital District #2 for their support and generosity. These units cost approximately \$35k each. Thanks also go to Cpt. Carl Ehresman for spearheading the project.

Station 21 Repair Update: Our contractor is near completion on repairs to the building. The roof panels are up along with the windows. All that remains are the painting and caulking and other minor details.

New FF/EMT Laura Friese: Laura comes to us as a lateral candidate on A shift she is filling Matt Doran's vacant position. She was on our hiring list from the recruitment efforts over the summer. She has a Bachelor's Degree and is fluent in Spanish. She is scheduled to attend the North Bend Academy in April and in the meantime will be doing day shifts.

Easter Breakfast – Tahuya, March 27th: The annual breakfast is being held from 10a-1pm. This is a change in time from the past. We will be sending out flyers to announce the event.

Belfair Shooting Response Recap: Cpt. Ehresman provided an update on the shooting that occurred in Belfair. One RFA ambulance was on scene at the event on standby. Later crews returned to set up scene lighting to aid Mason County Sheriff's office in the investigation. He remarked we have really improved on agency to agency communication compared to years past. Everyone involved is doing as well as can be expected.

Anchor Drive Recap: Chief Bakken provided an update indicating the issue has resolved itself.

Commissioner McIntosh was asked to review Cpt. Reese's paper for his National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer Program. The paper is on active shooting and the role and response of fire. AC Cooper reported Cpt. Reese along with Paramedic Jess Fulkerson will be working together to provide training for our members. We are also in the process of drafting a policy for a similar situation.

Commissioner Miller asked what would've improved communications in this situation. Cpt. Ehresman reported getting someone into the unified command post helped the communication tremendously.

Herb Gerhardt added the Sheriffs use a different radio frequency. He recommended Captains have a radio to listen to the radio traffic. Chief Bakken reported we have these radios available to us.

NEW BUSINESS

Tahuya Store Demo: Today was the last day to submit bids for the demolition of the Tahuya Store. We will open bids at 3pm tomorrow and plan to review and potentially award bids at next week's meeting.

Wildland Program: Volunteer Coordinator Tina Miller and Chief Bakken spoke to students at North Mason High School on the RFA's wildland program. Interested students along with their parents attended an orientation session to learn more about the program and requirements. Chief Bakken is preparing a formal proposal or the Board in the coming weeks.

WSFCA Region 9 Workshop Reminder: Commissioner McIntosh reminded everyone of the Region 9 workshop that is coming up. The cost is \$20 per person and will be held at District 4 in Shelton.

Public Comment:

Herb Gerhardt reported Camp HoHobas (Boy Scout camp) is closed. DNR is negotiating on taking it over.

Good of the Order: None

Commissioner Quigley moved to adjourn; Commissioner McIntosh seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01pm.

Authority Secretary Katie Patti

Commissioner Kelley McIntosh

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Commissioner Bob Miller

Commissioner Paul Severson

Commissioner Daniel Kewish