



# North Mason Fire

## North Mason Regional Fire Authority (NMRFA)

### Meeting Minutes

460 NE Old Belfair Hwy

4/16/2019

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

**Guests:** Cpt. Hicks, Vol. Morrow, Cpt. Ehresman, FF/PM Cloud

**QRT Update:** Chief Bakken reported the team (Peninsula Health) is working on selecting personnel to staff the QRT Bus. We have set a loose start date of June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Crew Resource Management Class:** This world renowned class was held at the North Mason High School on April 1<sup>st</sup>. The class was well attended with 51 attending from all over. Chief Bakken thanked AC Cooper and Admin Asst. McCormick for making this class happen.

**Shaping the Future Class:** We were fortunate to be able to host this two-day class that is typically offered at the National Fire Academy in Maryland. The instructor is the Director of Emergency Management for Evergreen College. We had 17 people in attendance.

**New Medic Unit:** Chief encouraged the Board to tour the new unit. We hope to have it in-service by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**SCBA Grant:** We have received packs and are awaiting bottles and masks. We are inventorying the units and will be conducting training.

**CPR Now Class:** The second series of "CPR Now" classes will take place on 4/28 at 10:00am and 11:30 am at The HUB. Classes are free and take one hour to learn CPR. This is not a certified class; however, participants will receive a Class Completion certificate.

**Design Kick Off with TCA:** The kick off meeting to discuss the timeline of the Emergency Management Campus occurred last Friday. We have been tasked with several items to complete for the architect. It was a productive meeting. Chief Bakken shared he is the featured speaker at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon. He will provide information on our project. In addition, the Chamber Government Affairs Committee is exploring putting on a forum to feature entities and projects that are coming down the pike and will potentially be on the ballot in November. Right now, there is no set date for this event.

**Mason Co Budget and Public Safety Committee:** Chief Bakken reported this committee is looking at some type of revenue generator for the City of Shelton: a metropolitan park district, a levy lid, or a public safety sales tax. This may be an expedited ask and we may see this as early as August.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Joint Fire Chiefs/Commissioner Meeting:** Commissioner McIntosh reported there was low turnout at the Joint Commissioner/Fire Chief meeting. Topics discussed included the upcoming wildland season, MACECOM, and information from Mason General. The next meeting will be held on July 11<sup>th</sup> (due to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July).

**Ambulance Billing Rates:** Cpt. Ehresman previously presented a proposed rate increase to the Board for consideration. Chief Bakken reminded the Board that we have not increased our rates since 2007. A recommendation was made to increase the BLS, ALS, ALS 2 and Mileage and keep the ancillary charges the same.

**New Rates Proposed:**

BLS Base Rate: \$600.00

ALS Base Rate: \$800.00 / ALS 2 Rate: \$1,000.00

Mileage: \$18.00 per mile

**Commissioner Severson made a motion to approve the rate increase as presented; Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion approved.**

**Draft Policy for reviewing Executive Compensation:** Recommendation to modify the current Contract Review policy and add language of the draft presented to the Board for Executive Compensation review. Commissioner McIntosh recommended to specifically adding in wage review. Commissioner Quigley would like to add the info in and bring it back to the Board for implementation at our May meeting.

**Community Risk Reduction:** Commissioner Severson provided an overview of the Community Risk Reduction conference he attended in Nevada. He made a lot of connections and learned a great deal. He was impressed to learn that we are doing way more than some of the big departments.

**Good of the Order:** Reminder of Department Dinner this Saturday.

**Public Comment:** A student was in attendance and introduced himself and stated he was attending tonight's meeting in order to fulfill a requirement from his college class. He will attend one more meeting next month.

**Commissioner McIntosh moved to adjourn; Commissioner Kewish seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm.**



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Authority Secretary Katie Patti

  
Commissioner Kelley McIntosh

  
Commissioner Brooke Quigley

  
Commissioner Bob Miller

  
Commissioner Daniel Kewish

  
Commissioner Paul Severson