

NORTH HIGHLINE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS' MEETING



MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of North Highline Fire District (NHFD) was held in-person and remotely on April 24, 2023 pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance, via virtual meeting software GoToMeeting, were Commissioners Giba and Barrera, Assistant Chief Desmarais, and Trina Norsen. Attending in-person were Commissioner Hiatt, Chief Mike Marrs, Assistant Chief Wayne Metz, District Secretary Christina Parker, and King County Fire District 2 (KCFD2) Commissioner Alexis Entrilago.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm by Commissioner Giba.

Flag Salute. Chief Marrs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Approval.

Commissioner Hiatt moved to accept the updated meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Meeting Minutes.

- None

Accounts Payable.

Commissioner Hiatt moved to approve the April, 2023 accounts payable vouchers as follows:

230401001 to 230401026 and 230402001 in the amount of \$320,402.48 (April month-end vouchers),
23-018 to 23-023 in the amount of \$1,549.80 (April LEOFF-1 EFT month-end vouchers),
and \$31,195.79 (April Special Payroll) for a total of \$353,148.07.

Commissioner Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0)

Correspondence.

- None

Public Comment.

- None

Commissioners' Report.

- Commissioner Hiatt proposed writing a letter to the KCFD2 Board requesting that a North Highline Fire District Commissioner be allowed to participate in the selection committee for the new Fire Chief. Commissioner Hiatt volunteered to draft a letter for consideration. Commissioner Hiatt additionally reported that Terri Robison is interested in running for Commissioner Giba's seat in the upcoming election.
- Commissioner Giba reported that Deputy Bill Kennamer, White Center's Store Front Deputy, is retiring from the King County Sheriff's Office (KCSO). She took part in KCSO's interviews of six applicants to replace him. From them, KCSO selected Deputy Glen Brannon as the next Store Front Deputy. He will be introduced at the next NHUAC meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2023 at 7 pm.

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- None

Financial Reports.

The Board received copies of the **March 2023** Treasure's Report and Accounts Payable Report.

Chief's Report.

Chief Marris reported on the following:

- Chief Marris reported that selection process for his replacement will begin in May. He will be working with the KCFD2 Board on external advertisements. There are 3 to 5 internal candidates who are interested. As part of the transition process, the candidates for Chief will participate in agenda setting moving forward.
- Stations 18 and 19 Remodel Update – Chief Marris will talk to the architect tomorrow. Capt. Jason Gay has been assigned to this project.

- E318 Foam Pump Upgrade & Repair – Chief Marrs reported that due to the corrosive nature of the foam, the engine parts required repair. We switched to a new firefighting foam, Novacool.
- CARES Car Update – Firefighter Tony Rosenthal, the former North Highline firefighter who was selected as the CARES car firefighter representative, will start his new position next week.
- AID 318 Upstaffing – Talks with the Union about staffing changes are ongoing. There is a tentative agreement with KCFD2 regarding cost sharing.
- Healthcare Changes for 2023 – The District will be switching from Cigna back to the First Choice Health Network.
- Recruit Academy Update – Two recruits will be graduating from the current session of the academy and four new recruits will be starting the next academy.
- 2018 Retro Pay Corrections – The District has finalized the corrections regarding payroll errors in the 2018 retroactive payments to former NHFD employees.
- 2022 Annual Report – The 2022 Annual Report is due May 31, 2023.
- Upcharge for New AID Car – The AID car has been delayed at Braun for over a year due to the delay in receiving the chassis from Ford. There will be an additional cost of \$11K for a new 2023 chassis. Commissioner Giba asked about the total cost of the new AID car. Chief Marrs will provide that information to the Board at the next meeting.
- Washington Fire Commissioners Association (WFCA) Spring Conference – The conference will be held in Lake Chelan. Commissioners were asked to please let District Secretary Christina Parker know if they were interested so she could arrange registration.

Unfinished Business.

- None


New Business.

- None


Good of the Order.

As there was no further business, Commissioner Hiatt moved to adjourn. Commissioner Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0). The meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Christina Parker (May 26, 2023 07:09 PDT)
Secretary of the Board

Liz Giba
Liz Giba (May 27, 2023 18:42 PDT)
Chairman, Commissioner


Commissioner


Dominic Barrera (May 29, 2023 16:40 PDT)
Commissioner