

NORTH HIGHLINE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING



May 27, 2020

The regular North Highline Fire District Fire Commissioners' Meeting for May was called to order at 6:00 PM by Commissioner Liz Giba via GoToMeeting (virtual online meeting) with Commissioners Julie Hiatt and Dominic Barrera also participating via GoToMeeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Also participating via GoToMeeting were Chief Mike Marrs, Captain Wayne Metz, Assistant Chief Ray Pettigrew, and Shauna Sheppard.

Chief Marrs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Meeting Minutes

Julie Hiatt moved to accept the minutes of the April 27, 2020 regular meetings. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Accounts Payable

Julie Hiatt moved to approve the May accounts payable vouchers as follows:

- 2050101 to 2050107 in the amount of \$292,599.09 (May month-end vouchers)

Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0).

Correspondence

- None

Public Comment

- None

Commissioners' Report

None

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- None

Financial Reports

- The Board received copies of the April 2020 Treasurer's and Cash Flow Reports. Everything is tracking well.

Chief's Report

Chief Marrs reported on the following:

- COVID-19 Update – Thanks to Commissioner Hiatt and her family for their continued support with masks and gowns. Thanks also to Captain Metz for securing PPE supplies and building our 3 to 6-month supply.
- The King County Medical Program Director recently released a Public Service Announcement (PSA) in response to data which showed that out-of-hospital deaths were increasing while call volumes were declining. This led to speculation that people were not calling 9-1-1 because they worried about COVID-19 contamination in hospitals. It appears the PSA increased the public's confidence that people with COVID-19 are isolated from those going to the hospital for non-COVID related events and injuries. Since that PSA, our call volume has steadily increased.
- We had 17 new cases and 7 deaths yesterday. Today, there were 13 new cases and 5 deaths. Although Washington started as the epicenter of the pandemic, we are now the 21st state in the union in reported COVID-19 cases, and trending in the right direction. For the first time, Chief Marrs is optimistic.
- Chief Marrs shared the "COVID-19 Case Data for North Highline area | Data compiled 5/27/2020", which was provided by King County and is not as encouraging. However, it is by census tract. Some of North Highline's census tracts are also part of Burien and Seattle so there is overlap. We continue to ask King County to give us accurate data about North Highline. A copy is on file with the meeting minutes.
- Per the governor's news conference this afternoon, we are not going to be transitioning into Phase 2 when the current directive expires.
- The August Night Out Against Crime is being cancelled in neighboring cities. We have not yet heard from the Sheriff's Office but would not be surprised if ours are also cancelled. Both 4th of July events in Burien have been cancelled. It is likely Kids Day will also be cancelled, but we are still in a holding pattern at this time. We have not heard about Jubilee Days yet. Commissioner Hiatt has not heard anything definite either.
- Over 385,000 fraudulent claims have been filed with the Employment Security Department to date. They include a few against North Highline Fire District and King County Fire District #2. As the employer, we will be filing the appropriate response with the state. We do not expect any financial impact to either fire district.

Attorney's Report

- None

Unfinished Business

- Fire Benefit Charge (FBC) – A timeline to manage deadlines for the things that need to be done before the November election on the FBC Charge was discussed. It will include due dates for a flyer, newsletter, submission of the statement for the Voters Pamphlet, and the filing deadline. Shauna will fill in the dates. We need to determine the current median assessed value of a single-family house in North Highline.

New Business

- None

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- We are in the process of obtaining bids for repairing the roof on Station #19.

As there was no further business, Julie Hiatt moved to adjourn. Dominic Barrera seconded. Motion carried (3-0), and the meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

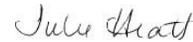
Respectfully submitted,



Secretary of the Board



Chairman, Commissioner



Commissioner



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