

**GRAHAM FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 22, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Gustafson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Commissioner Gerald W. Gustafson, Commissioner Verne M. Pierson, Commissioner Robert E. Skaggs (by telephone following the Chief's Report), and Fire Chief Reggie Romines.

Absent: Deputy Chief Gary Franz, Assistant Chief Tony Judd, Assistant Chief Ryan Baskett, Assistant Chief Tom Mason, Assistant Chief Todd Jensen, Public Prevention Education Officer Myra Merdian-Drake and District Secretary Kathy Hale had excused absences.

Commissioner Gustafson led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed the audience.

APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Pierson moved to approve the Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Gustafson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 8, 2010, were approved as presented.

The minutes of the Special Board Meeting of November 9, 2010, were approved as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Thank You Letter from a Citizen
- Thank You Letter from Parkland-Spanaway Kiwanis for our Ride-Along donation

FINANCIALS:

Construction Payables Vouchers #11001 through #11009 in the amount of \$52,527.12, General Payables Vouchers #11064 through #11175 in the amount of \$491,994.50, and Account Transfers in the amount of \$741,066.86 for a total of \$1,285,588.48, of which \$978,526.43 was for Payroll and \$307,062.05 was for Payables were presented for approval.

Commissioner Pierson moved to accept the payables in the amount of \$1,285,588.48 after proper auditing. Commissioner Gustafson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:
Chief's Report**

Chief Romines reminded the Board the Administration Holiday Party will be on December 10, 2010. The Graham Firefighter's Association pizza feed will take place December 21, 2010, at Station 21-4 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Also, FireComm is hosting an open house on December 9, 2010.

Chief Romines informed the Board he approved a one-year leave of absence for Resident FF/EMT Nathan Nowlin. Nathan accepted a position with the Department of Defense at Ft. Monroe, Virginia.

Chief Romines reminded the Board the Lakewood Police Department Fallen Officer Memorial Dedication Ceremony will occur on November 29, 2010.

Station No. 21-0. Nothing new to report.

Station No. 21-2. Nothing new to report.

Station No. 21-3. Nothing new to report.

Jones Act. Chief Romines presented the Board with an opinion document from Attorney Quinn in which Mr. Quinn stated he does not believe our District falls under the Jones Act for our water rescue activities.

Training Report

Chief Romines presented the Board the Training Report for their review. He encouraged the Board to contact Assistant Chief Mason if they had any questions.

(Commissioner Skaggs was in attendance by telephone)

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 763, Authorizing the Regular Property Tax Levy for 2011. Chief Romines read Resolution No. 763, Authorizing the Regular Property Tax Levy for 2011, into the record.

Commissioner Pierson moved the approval of Resolution No. 763, Authorizing the Regular Property Tax Levy for 2011, as presented. Commissioner Skaggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 764, Authorizing the EMS Property Tax Levy for 2011. Chief Romines read Resolution No. 764, Authorizing the EMS Property Tax Levy for 2011, into the record.

Commissioner Pierson moved the approval of Resolution No. 764, Authorizing the EMS Property Tax Levy for 2011, as presented. Commissioner Skaggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 765, Authorizing the General Budget for 2011. Chief Romines read Resolution No. 765, Authorizing the General Budget for 2011, into the record.

Commissioner Pierson moved the approval of Resolution No. 765, Authorizing the General Budget for 2011, as presented. Commissioner Skaggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chief Romines presented the Board with a transport account and asked the Board to approve the payment of the balance, \$290.87, to Central Pierce Fire & Rescue. Chief Romines explained the family resides in our district and when the small child became ill he was taken to Sunrise Medical Center for treatment. Sunrise, in turn, called for medical transport, which Central Pierce responded to. Chief Romines stated he has been talking with Chief Willis about these types of calls wherein our residents are transported from Sunrise, which is two blocks out of our boundary, and Central Pierce will not use the Levy reciprocal agreement for the billing balance.

Commissioner Pierson moved to pay the unpaid balance to Central Pierce Fire & Rescue in the amount of \$290.87. Commissioner Skaggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board gave direction to work with Chief Willis to see if the EMS Levy Reciprocal Interlocal could be changed to include transports of this nature.

Chief Romines presented the Board with recommendations for Bond money expenditures for their review.

GOOD OF THE ORDER/PUBLIC INPUT:

Commissioner Skaggs announced Commissioner Rick Stout from Key Peninsula Fire Department had passed away.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chief Romines requested a 10-minute Executive Session under RCW 42.30.140 to adopt a position for collective bargaining, with no business to follow.

Commissioner Gustafson announced a 10-minute Executive Session under RCW 42.30.140 to adopt a position for collective bargaining, with no business to follow. Executive Session was announced as beginning at 7:45 p.m.

An announcement was made at 7:55 p.m. to extend the Executive Session another 10 minutes.

Commissioner Gustafson reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 8:05 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Board Meeting of November 22, 2010, was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Gerald W. Gustafson, Commissioner

Kathy J. Hale, District Secretary