

**GRAHAM FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 8, 2021 (Virtual)**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Homan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL BY CHAIR

Present: Chair Robert Homan, Commissioner Adam Rosenlund, Commissioner Gerald Gustafson, Commissioner Ryan Portmann, Commissioner Russell T. Barstow, Fire Chief Pat Dale, Deputy Chief Oscar Espinosa, District Secretary Sandi Roberts and Board Secretary Jodi Reynolds

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Portmann moved to approve the Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Rosenlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2021

Financial Documentation:

Payables: Checks #30474 through #30514 =	\$55,234.34
Payables (Payroll): Checks #30458 through #30473 =	\$550,520.57
Payroll: Checks #30451 through #30457 =	\$12,277.22
Payroll Transfers (EFTs) =	\$901,985.46
TOTAL:	<u>\$1,520,017.59</u>

Commissioner Barstow moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Portmann seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Fire Chief's Report

Fire Chief Dale welcomed the Board and audience members to the virtual meeting and reported on the following:

Strategic Priorities of COVID-19

Current Events

He is engaged and immersed in the vaccination mandate and is working through it with Labor.

Standing Committees

- Policy and Procedure – Chair Homan reported he is continuing to work on his professional norms document and will have it prepared for the next meeting.
- Pierce Co. Fire Commissioners Association (PCFCA) Update – Chair Homan reported on the recent meeting that he and Commissioner Gustafson attended.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IT Consortium Interlocal Agreement (ILA) – Second Reading

Fire Chief Dale stated he is looking for action by the Board. Chair Homan called for a motion.

Commissioner Barstow moved to accept the IT Consortium Interlocal Agreement as written. Commissioner Portmann seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 968 – Reducing Frequency of Regular Board Meetings

Chair Homan

Commissioner Barstow moved to approve Resolution 968, Reducing the Frequency of Board Meetings, as written. Commissioner Portmann seconded the motion.

Discussion was held on the motion. Vice Chair Rosenlund called the question.

Board Chair Homan, Commissioner Portmann and Commissioner Barstow: Yes. Commissioner Gustafson and Commissioner Rosenlund: No. Motion carried by a majority.

Commissioner Barstow suggested the Board revisit the resolution one year from the time of implementation to assess its efficacy. Board Chair Homan stated he concurred with Commissioner Barstow. Commissioner Rosenlund added that a resolution can be revisited at any time after it is adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Portmann recognized the historic significance of the District's all-female crew. He commended them on their participation in the recent news story, especially Firefighter Georgia Daniels, and the District for promoting the message.

Chief Dale concurred with Commissioner Portmann's comments and commended the District's Community Outreach team for their use of social media to promote the event.

Board Chair Homan commented the NAEFO conference has been cancelled, and Commissioner Gustafson stated the WFCA Conference is still scheduled to take place.

Board Chair Homan stated with the adoption of Resolution 968, the next Board meeting will take place the 13th of October. He will not be available to participate in the Agenda-setting meeting on October 8th with Chief Dale and asked Vice Chair Rosenlund if he will. He responded affirmatively.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board Chair Homan announced a 15-minute Executive Session under RCW 42.30.140 (4) (b) to plan or adopt strategy/position for collective bargaining, with business to follow.

The Executive Session was announced as starting at 6:54 p.m.

At 7:09 p.m., the Executive Session was extended five minutes.

At 7:14 p.m., the Executive Session was extended five minutes.

At 7:19 p.m., the Executive Session was extended five minutes.

At 7:24 p.m., the Executive Session was extended five minutes.

At 7:29 p.m., the Executive Session was extended two minutes.

At 7:31 p.m., the Executive Session was extended two minutes.

At 7:33 p.m., the Executive Session was extended two minutes.

The Executive Session was announced as ending at 7:35 p.m.

Commissioner Portmann moved to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between the District and IAFF Local 726 with regards to the Governor’s Proclamation No. 21-14.1.

Discussion was held on the motion.

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Board Meeting of September 8, 2021 was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Robert L Homan

Robert L. Homan, Board Chair

Sandi Roberts

Sandi Roberts, District Secretary