

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Minutes

February 24, 2022

Chair Scott Isenman called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 4:34 PM. Present were Commissioners Andrea Chymiy (remote), Jay Rosenberg and Fritz von Ibsch; Fire Chief Hank Teran; Deputy Fire Chief Jared Moravec; and Finance Administrator Hilary Hall. Commissioner Tim Carey was excused.

AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

Chief Teran requested to add a member recognition Board presentation prior to the Executive Session. The Chair agreed and Commissioner von Ibsch presented thank you gifts from the Board to five members of the Department who assisted with the COVID-19 vaccination roll out on Bainbridge Island. The recognized members were Deputy Chief Jared Moravec, Janine Courtemanche, Tacey Peterson, Jay Rosenberg and Hilary Hall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 4:50 Commissioner Isenman called for an Executive Session to last 10 minutes. The Executive Session was called for collective bargaining planning per RCW 42.30.140(4)(b).

At 5:00 PM, the Executive Session was extended by 10 minutes. At 5:10 PM, the Executive Session was extended by an additional 10 minutes. At 5:20 PM, the Executive Session was extended by an additional 10 minutes. At 5:30 PM, the Executive Session was extended by an additional 15 minutes.

The regular open public meeting resumed at 5:45 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- COVID-19 briefing: DC Moravec updated the Board on current mask guidance for members within the stations. Masks are now optional on the private side of the stations if the member has a negative rapid test at the beginning of their shift or work week.
- CWPP presentation update: DC Moravec states that we are now seeking comments from partner agencies on the latest draft of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The CWPP will be presented to the Board for approval at a future BOC meeting.
- IT Administrator position hire: Chief Teran announced the start of the new IT Administrator Mark Peil. Chief Teran reviewed his experience and displayed a picture.
- Partners Report: Chief Teran reviewed his meeting with COBI, the Parks Department and BISD. Updated COVID-19 restrictions were reviewed and COBI

introduced Autumn Salmack as the city's first Climate Mitigation Officer who will be implementing the city's Climate Action Plan.

- Rotary Wildfire presentation: Chief Teran stated that DC Moravec will present a wildfire mitigation presentation to the Rotary on May 9th.
- WFC Report: The Legislative session is ending today so an update will be forthcoming from the Association. The State Fire Marshal's office is moving forward with burn buildings and a grant will be supplying bike and skateboard helmets to Target stores for distribution.

Emerging Issues:

- Rotary Auction: Chief Teran informed the Board that the Rotary Auction will be returning to in-person this July 2nd.
- July 4th activities: Chief Teran discussed the planned July 4th activities. They include the street dance, parade, and fireworks. The COVID-19 testing and vaccination teams, including DC Moravec and Commissioner Chymiy, have been asked to lead the parade as the Grand Marshals.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

CONSENT AGENDA

(Vouchers totaling \$431,099.26, Meeting Minutes 2/10/22) Commissioner Rosenberg moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner von Ibsch seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Lieutenant/Paramedic Job Description: Chief Teran presented the new job description of Lieutenant/Paramedic. He also described that the new position will offer opportunities for promotion for the paramedics, as identified in the Strategic Plan, and will add leadership within the EMS program. One LT/PM per shift is proposed and the position will not add to minimum staffing. Commissioner Chymiy moved to accept the LT/PM job description and to allow Chief Teran to enter into an MOU with the union adding the position. Commissioner von Ibsch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
2. Ground Lease Agreement – Bloedel Reserve: Chief Teran presented a ground lease agreement for placement of a Remote Automatic Weather Station (RAWS) on Bloedel Reserve property. The agreement has been reviewed by counsel, has no cost to the Department and is for 50 years. DC Moravec described the weather station data collection abilities and uses for wildfire and extreme weather events. Commissioner von Ibsch moved to approve Chief Teran to enter into the agreement. Commissioner Rosenberg seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM.

Submitted by:

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Henry A. Teran, Board Secretary

Approved

March 10, 2022