# BAINBRIDGE ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Meeting Minutes July 18, 2018

Chair Bruce Alward called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Present were Commissioners Tim Carey, YongSuk Cho, Scott Isenman and Fritz von Ibsch; Fire Chief Hank Teran; Volunteer Program Coordinator Jay Rosenberg; Finance Manager Ed Kaufman; and other Department members.

#### **AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS**

Prior to beginning the business portion of the agenda, Chief Teran announced that a brief presentation regarding the Station 21 rebuild project would take place. Jianna Kaufman, a recent Bainbridge High School graduate, presented a time-lapse slide show of the demolition of old Station 21 and the building of the new station, captured over the past 15 months.

# FIRE COMMISSIONER VACANCY INTERVIEWS

Five prospective Fire Commissioner candidates participated in interviews with the Board of Commissioners to fill the impending vacancy of Position 3. The interviewees included:

- Madeline Fort (via telephone)
- Robert Peterson
- Dana Marinelli
- Gina Batali
- Jack Metz

Each candidate discussed their qualifications and vision for the position for approximately 10 minutes.

#### COMMISSIONER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Upon completion of the candidate interviews, Commissioner Bruce Alward officially resigned from the Board, effective immediately. Commissioner Alward thanked his fellow Fire Commissioners for their collegiality and dedication to the community. He also thanked staff for their work and finally thanked Chief Teran for his leadership and vision in leading the Department. Chief Teran thanked Commissioner Alward for his service during the last two years, especially lending his expertise to the capital facilities project. The remaining Commissioners also thanked Alward for his assistance, participation and dedication to the Board.

Commissioner Scott Isenman assumed the role of Board Chair and promptly called for a recess at 7:58.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:17 PM, Commissioner Isenman called for an Executive Session for 20 minutes to evaluate the qualifications of candidates for appointment to elective office per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(h).

The Executive Session was extended by 10 minutes at 8:37. The open public meeting resumed at 8:47.

### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

# 1. Fire Commissioner Vacancy

Commissioner Isenman thanked all of the Commissioner candidates for stepping up to assist their community by putting their name forward to fill Fire Commissioner Position #3. Isenman said it was a very difficult process to choose one candidate since all that applied were qualified. He also reiterated that if not chosen, he hopes the candidates remain involved with the Department in the future. Commissioner Carey then nominated Gina Batali to be appointed to fill the vacant Fire Commissioner Position #3. Commissioner Cho seconded the nomination and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Gina Batali as Fire Commissioner. Batali will take the oath of office at the August 1, 2018 BOC meeting.

## FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Fire station construction update: Construction Project Manager Charlie Demming provided an update on the station construction project including the following:
  - ➤ A briefing by the project's landscape architect, Jeff Bouma. Bouma discussed some of the landscaping decisions made at Station 21, including the timeline for mature growth of the plantings, necessary maintenance and the decision not to use a weed barrier in the garden areas. Bouma also has not recommended the use of a weed barrier at Station 22.
  - > Discussion of the demolition of Station 22.
  - Footings have been poured for Station 22.
  - > Station 22 project is on schedule.
  - > Preparations at Station 21 for the August 4 public open house.
  - Status of several punch list items including the rock wall on New Brooklyn and the resetting of the fire hydrant in the front driveway.
  - > Final inspection by Mackenzie is scheduled for July 26.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner von Ibsch noted the proposed installation of three rotaries on Highway 305, including at the Day Road intersection. He asked if the Fire Department had been consulted on these proposed changes. Chief Teran has not been consulted to date.

Commissioner Carey mentioned the BIFD booth at the July 4 Street Fair.

Commissioner Isenman noted the recent KCFCA picnic. Isenman met Representative Christine Rolfes at the picnic and suggested providing a tour of the new Station 21 to local elected officials.

Chief Teran reminded the Board of the upcoming retirement ceremony for Battalion Chief Dave Hannon on July 21.

# CITIZEN COMMENTS OR DISCUSSION

None

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

(Vouchers totaling \$717,532.29, June Payroll, Meeting Minutes 6/20/2018). Commissioner Carey moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner von Ibsch seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 PM.

Submittet by:

Henry A. Teran, Board Secretary

Approved

August 1, 2018