

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2015

Chair Dan Morrow called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM. Present were Commissioners Teri Dettmer, Scott Isenman and Eileen McSherry; Fire Chief Hank Teran; Assistant Chief Luke Carpenter; Finance Administrator Ed Kaufman; Bond Counsel Marc Greenough, Department Counsel Graehm Wallace and other Department members. Commissioner Cho was absent.

AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

Chief Teran requested the addition of a Good of the Order segment.

CITIZEN COMMENTS OR DISCUSSION

None

GOOD OF THE ORDER

AC Carpenter briefed the Board on current wildland fire deployment of Department members. AC Moravec, FF/PM Bailey and FF Livdahl are all deployed along with Engine 23 to assist with the wildland efforts in the Chelan Complex fire. Two additional members, FF Phillips and FF Gibson, were deployed this morning along with Tender 23. The Board will be updated with any changes to deployment status.

Commissioner Morrow acknowledged the excellent care provided by PM Turnbull and other Department members during a recent medical emergency call.

BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Resolution #9-2015: Bond Sale

Chief Teran requested approval of Resolution #9-2015: Bond Sale. This resolution authorizes the sale of the bonds, currently scheduled for mid-October. Marc Greenough, the Department's Bond Counsel, was available to answer any final questions from Commissioner's regarding this resolution. Commissioner Dettmer moved to approve Resolution #9-2015: Bond Sale as presented. Commissioner McSherry seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2. Draft Contract for Architectural Services

Chief Teran presented the draft contract for architectural services with Mackenzie for the Board's consideration. Graehm Wallace, Department counsel who has been assisting with the drafting of the contract was in attendance to answer any Board question. Mr. Wallace believes the contract presented is favorable to the Department and protects the Department's position in its relationship with Mackenzie. Commissioner Dettmer asked why the contract seems to only address the rebuilding of Station 21 and Station 22 but does not include estimates for the improvements at Station 23. The Commissioners also asked why the contract did not appear to include


the 10% cut in the project that was suggested during the December 11, 2014 Board meeting. After an extended discussion, the Board asked for further clarification regarding two questions: why wasn't the budget projections cut by 10% as they believed it would be; and, what happened to the improvements at Station 23? The Board felt strongly that the wording of the ballot measure authorizing the bonds included improvements to Station 23 and felt they would not be fully meeting the public's intent if those improvements were addressed.

Staff believes that the draft contract did not preclude capital improvements at Station 23 nor did it lock the Department in to the criteria used in the Needs Assessment report. The Board and staff agreed that, in an effort to answer the Board's questions most efficiently, Commissioner Morrow would join staff in meeting with representatives of Mackenzie as soon as possible to answer the Board's concerns. Chief Teran will bring the contract back to the Board at a future meeting for approval. No further action was taken on this issue.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Submitted by:



Henry A. Teran, Board Secretary

Approved

August 27, 2015