

**FIRE DISTRICT 38
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 2, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Fire District 38 Fire Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Matt Talbot at 0930 hrs on Monday, January 2, 2012 at the Wilderness Rim Fire Station. In attendance were:

Commissioner Ron Pedee
Commissioner Matt Talbot
Secretary Trina Smith

Absent: Chairman Chris Dahline (excused)
EFR Fire Chief Lee Soptich (excused)

The Secretary took the roll call. Since there was no flag available, the flag salute was not observed. At this point it was necessary to swear in the two newly elected commissioners for their terms. Commissioner Pedee completed his oath of office. Then Commissioner Talbot took his oath of office. The certificates were signed and presented to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Pedee made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 6, 2011 meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The Secretary read the Treasurer's Report and reviewed the Budget. She also advised the Commissioners the Blanket Vouchers would look completely different from now on due to a change at King County. The taxes collected in November were substantially lower than those collected in October so the decision was made to not deposit any funds into the Reserve Account until about June when the new taxes will show on the ledger. The Equipment Replacement Fund and Facilities Maintenance fund were both paid in full and over the next few months the Operations Fund will receive small but regular payments. Commissioner Pedee suggested at some point there should be a Special Meeting to discuss the intentions of the Reserve Fund. Commissioner Pedee then made a motion to accept the January Treasurer's Report and the January Expense Report with vouchers 5876- 5882 totaling \$99,960.77 from Account 100380010 and voucher 0008 totaling \$31,446.16 from account 100383010. Motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS- None

AUDIENCE COMMENT- None

OLD BUSINESS

New Station- There has been no meeting since the District's last meeting so there is nothing new to report. We are waiting on some drawings with bids to be received by March and groundbreaking to begin in May or June.

Annexations- There is a Resolution to approve which is apparently the District's last step for the annexation to go through. Commissioner Pedee made a motion to accept Resolution 230 finalizing the annexation of the Rattlesnake Ridge annexation. Motion carried unanimously.

Newsletter- Commissioner Pedee will check with the chief to see if there is an ability to get an article on the Firefighter and Volunteer of the Year for the newsletter. The Secretary anticipates a problem with securing some photos but is working on it. Commissioner Pedee will work on his article and Commissioner Talbot has completed part of his task.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Talbot advised the board there is a need for equipment at Grays Harbor Fire Department. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

EFR BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Pedee stated the EF&R Board presented a recognition plaque to a company called Art By Fire for their contribution of making glass bulbs with the insignia "9/11: We will never forget" and donating them to various organizations. There was some discussion about the fire in North Bend and the issues of a two-person engine. Commissioner Pedee advised there are new ID cards being issued by EF&R and he would like that issue also added to the next agenda so the Board and Secretary can have those ID's made. An agenda bill was passed that states EF&R will now do the Fire Inspections instead of the County and at a lower rate. AMR, per the contract with EF&R donated over \$9000 in EF&R's name, to the North Bend Food Bank, the Issaquah Food Bank and Hopelink as part of their contract agreement.

NORTH BEND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Nothing to report except City Administrator Duncan Wilson is moving on to a position in another town.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The annual EF&R Partners Banquet is scheduled for January 26, 2012 and Commissioner Pedee encouraged everyone to attend. The Secretary asked about the next meeting scheduled for February 7, 2012. Neither Commissioner Talbot nor Commissioner Pedee can make the meeting so it is being rescheduled for February 1, 2012 at 1000 hrs at the Wilderness Rim Fire Station.

There being no further business before the Board the list of meetings was reviewed and all paperwork was reviewed and signed. The meeting was adjourned at 1100 hrs.

Chairman Chris Dahline

Secretary Trina Smith

Commissioner Ron Pedee

Commissioner Matt Talbot