

**Snohomish County Fire District 7
8010 180th Street SE
Snohomish, WA 98296**

**Summary Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 8, 2010**

Commissioner Andrew called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 0800 hours. Commissioners Andrew, Knapp, Hausmann, and Doherty were present. Commissioner Waugh was excused.

Merger Discussion with Fire District #1:

Commissioner Andrew moved the order and wanted to vote on if we're going forward or not with the discussion of the merge. Commissioner Hausmann commented on the history between Fire District #1 and he votes yes for it. Chief Eastman listened to Fire District #1's board meeting and said that they unanimously voted yes to continue discussion for the consolidation of our two districts. Something they spoke about was the training facility, and that can be answered in the next meeting. They also spoke about the financial impact of our levy on their district.

To go forward with the discussion of the merge with Fire District #1:

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| MOTION: Commissioner Andrew moved to go forward with the discussion of the merge. The motion was seconded and passed. |
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Commissioner Andrew asked the union if they had any questions to the commissioners. A firefighter asked what kind of questions would he be looking to be answered, and Commissioner Andrew does not know what his questions would be, and he spoke about the concern over losing Fire District 7's name. Commissioner Knapp commented on his hopes of influencing Fire District 1 – so the consolidated department would become leaders together. Chief Wirtz also suggested to better understand their organization - job shadowing on a battalion level would better prepare us.

Bothell Annexation:

Since receiving the letter from Bothell we have 45 days to respond, and Chief Eastman had a meeting with Bothell's City Manager Bob Stowe and discussed the service contract that should be drafted. If we come to terms we won't have to take it to the boundary review board. This won't take place until 2012, and he proposed a 2 year service contract with Fire District #7. Commission Knapp asked Commissioner Olsen if the Bothell Annexation would affect his department and he answered it wouldn't.

Union Comment:

President Smith reported overtime savings of \$30,958.84.

Minutes:

The summary minutes of the March 25, 2010 Regular Board Meeting was submitted for approval.

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| MOTION: Commissioner Knapp moved to approve the summary minutes of March 25, 2010 as submitted. The motion was seconded and passed. |
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Financial Report:

The April 15, 2010 regular pay was submitted in the amount of \$354,284.96

MOTION: Commissioner Hausmann moved for the approval of the payroll as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

Vouchers #359-10 through 412-10 in the amount of \$233,020.49 were submitted for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Doherty moved for the approval of the vouchers as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

Commissioner Hausmann asked what the bill was for Technical Advantage was for and Chief Eastman answered that it was for server service.

Discussion Items:

Fire District #7 EMS Levy

Chief Eastman discussed the 50/50 levy proposal - Chief Andrews mentioned that District #1 has a permanent levy, and we also should push for a permanent levy. Lieutenant Peters spoke about levies and the trend in the area, and he has seen failed levies and passed levies. However because we have a strong workforce and the proposed levy is comprehensible and well organized he feels confident our levy will pass.

To pass EMS Levy for 50/50 Permanent for the Primary and General Election

MOTION: Commissioner Knapp moved for the approval EMS Levy for 50/50 Permanent for the Primary and General Election as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

Commissioner Knapp said he is pushing for the permanent so we can be the same as District #1.

Training Center Update

Meeting notes from 3/23/2010 was attached and the architect will bring in the map for the partner agencies. The next step will be the pricing for the project as well as the final draft book for presentations used for grants and public education.

Committee Reports:

The Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2010

Joint Fire Board: TBA

Leadership Committee meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2010

SNOPAC meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2010

Risk Management meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2010.

Joint Shop meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2010

Training Committee: TBA

Adjournment:

The regular meeting adjourned at 1000 hours.

Camille Tabor

Secretary of the Board