MARYSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING June 17, 2020 – 7 pm – Virtual Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

Chairperson Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

OPENING STATEMENT

Chairperson Stevens read the following as it appears on the MFD Agenda:

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Governor's 'Stay at Home' order the MARYSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT WILL NOT ACCEPT in-person, verbal citizen comments. Alternatively, those wishing to provide public comment will have the opportunity to deliver citizen comment via the following:

1. Email: fire@marysvillewa.gov

2. Phone: 360-363-8500

3. Mail: Marysville Fire District 1094 Cedar Ave Marysville, WA 98270

All comments received will be distributed to the Board of Directors and will be addressed at the next regular meeting.

PRESENTATION'S

South County Fire Chief Thad Hovis expressed his appreciation for the collaboration and hard work between our two agencies throughout the COVID pandemic. Our partnership has had a positive influence on both agencies and our county.

The following were in attendance:

Board of Directors:

Rick Ross

Participant ID 291204
Participant ID 252840

Steve Muller Participant ID 252840
Tom King Participant ID 273072

Kamille Norton Participant ID 262297
Michael Stevens Participant ID 266904

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Tonya Christoffersen Participant ID 059224

Staff Members:

Guests:

Grant Weed, District Attorney

Martin McFalls, Fire Chief

Jeff Cole, Deputy Chief

Tom Maloney, Deputy Chief

Darryl Neuhoff, Deputy Chief

Steve Edin, Human Resource Manager

Dean Shelton, Local 3219 President

Paula DeSanctis, Admin Assist

MFD CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve minutes of the May 20, 2020, regular meeting
- B. Approve May 2020 Financial Statements
- C. Approval of June Claims and Payroll:



i. MFD RFA Expense Fund 778-70

Voucher Numbers 200602001 -thru- 200602067 \$ 291,034.40

ii. MFD RFA Capital Reserve Fund 778-73

 Voucher Numbers 200601001 -thru- 200601001
 \$ 30,000.00

 MFD Payroll (excluding benefits)
 \$ 1,149,128.16

Motion:

To approve the MFD Consent Agenda

Made By: Seconded By: Ross King

Action:

PASSED unanimously

INFORMATION ITEMS

Communications: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMS Committee: Approval of June EMS account recommendations.

Month	Charity	Collections	Bankruptcy	Refunds
June	3,486.89	36,272.53	0.00	0.00

Motion:

To approve the June ambulance account recommendations.

Made By:

Ross

Seconded By:

Muller

Action:

PASSED unanimously

Planning Committee: The Planning Committee scheduled to meet on Wednesday, July 8, 2020, 6pm at Station 65. DC Neuhoff shared that an architect firm has been selected and has started assessing the stations for selected projects.

Personnel Committee: The Personnel Committee met on June 12, 2020 and promoted Dean Shelton as the new Medical Services Administrator.

STAFF BUSINESS

Fire Chief Report: Chief McFalls reported on the following:

- We will commence our Center for Public Excellence meetings developing our community driven strategic plan on August 31, 2020.
- One of our citizen would like to will his property of 6 ½ acres to the Marysville Fire District.
 A draft of the will has been forwarded to District Attorney Grant Weed for review.
- Everett Fire Chief Dave DeMarco sent an email sharing that Everett and Mukilteo are in talks of merging to form a Regional Fire Authority.
- We received our second stimulus check from the CARES Provider Relief Fund for a total
 of \$64,269. We have applied for reimbursement of \$60,467 through the Stafford Act
 Assistance Program and \$56,027 through the FEMA AFG Regional Equipment Grant. Our
 total potential grant award if all approved is \$180,763.

Operations Report: Chief Cole reported the following:

Our calls are down about 10% from last year.

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- Chiefs Cole, Neuhoff and Shelton are on the new Force Protection Committee. They will be implementing phases after COVID such as opening Stations to the public and reducing PPE.
- We joined Marysville Police and Tulalip Fire in the March Against Racism.
- All ballistic gear is now in service.
- Situational Awareness Training with Marysville Police has been completed.

Overtime Report: Chief Cole reported our over time is still down significantly at \$24,234.69.

May 2020	Dollars	Total Hours	Sick Leave Used
Full-time	\$ 24,234.69	350.71	1,137.25
Part time			
Month Total	\$ 24,234.69	350.71	1,137.25
YTD Totals	\$ 269,447.39	4,714.88	5,032.57

Human Resources/Personnel Report: HR Manager Steve Edin reported the following:

- We have five employees out on intermittent FMLA. One off on FMLA until end of June.
 One off on short term disability.
- Chief Cole, Chief Taylor and HR Edin held twenty entry level firefighter interviews. Eleven
 of those will move on to the practical test to be held June 24, 2020.
- After interviewing two candidates Dean Shelton was selected to fill the Medical Services Administrator position.
- Working on the next recruit class schedule.

Fire Prevention Report: Deputy Chief Maloney reported the following:

- Followed up with the home owner who had a house fire earlier this month. As discussed at
 the May Board meeting, there were some concerns as to how we report the location of a
 fire to media outlets. The home owners concerns were addressed and we are looking to
 make some changes to our reporting.
- Brian Merkley is now a certified Fire Inspector 1. He will be testing for Inspector 2 later this fall.
- Thanked the crews for stepping up for all the private resident parade requests.
- We are gearing up for the opening of Boom City on June 26, 2020 and the 4th of July, which falls on a weekend this year.

<u>Legal Counsel Report</u>: District Attorney Grant Weed reported that the Snohomish County Health District is beginning to apply for phase 3 opening.

<u>Local 3219 Union Report</u>: Union President Dean Shelton shared that three months into COVID, we continue to progress every week. The level of participation from our members from birthday and graduation parades to training videos has helped to keep our organization and our community moving forward. Applauded the District for suppling the needed PPE throughout this pandemic. Thanked the Planning Committee for moving forward with the planning of station projects.

OLD BUSINESS

None

Approved Initials

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Bill - Mechanical Services ILA - Camano Island Fire and Rescue

Chief Neuhoff shared with the recent long term absence of a Fleet and Facilities employee, it has been highlighted that this Division is in need of back up for unforeseen as well as forecasted situations. This agreement will provide the resources if needed to keep our fleet in service.

Motion:

To approve the ILA with Camano Island for Service and Repair of

Vehicles and Equipment

Made By:

Ross Norton

Seconded By: Action:

PASSED unanimously

Agenda Bill – Battalion Chief Services ILA Renewal with the City of Arlington

Chief McFalls shared that the current ILA ends June 30, 2020. The renewal will be an 18 month contract due to Arlington possibly merging with North County RFA.

Motion:

To approve the Battalion Chief Services ILA renewal with the City of

Arlington

Made By:

Muller

Seconded By:

Ross

Action:

PASSED unanimously

CALL ON BOARD

Ross - Congratulated MSA Shelton. Appreciates everyone's hard work and collaboration.

King – Appreciated everyone's participation in last week's march against racism. Reported that the Strawberry Festival has been canceled. Thanked Chief McFalls for allowing the Festival Royal Court to visit a Fire Station.

Christoffersen – Enjoys hearing the positive feedback from our members and neighboring Districts. Congrats Dean!

Muller – Concerned with Boom City opening and the 4th of July falling on a weekend. Congratulations Dean!

Norton- Thanked DC Maloney for following up with the home owner of a fire earlier this month. Congrats Dean. Happy to hear of all the positive thing happening within the district and that everyone is healthy.

Stevens – Congratulations Dean.

Weed - Nothing more to report.

McFalls – Due to limited space we will not be sending a member to Harborview Medic School this session. We are in the process of hiring a lateral medic. District Attorney Grant Weed will be reviewing the District 15 ILA for BC Services to increase the rate to match Arlington.

Cole – Nothing more to report.

Neuhoff - Congrats Dean!

Approved Initials

Maloney - Nothing more to report.

Edin - Nothing more to report.

Shelton – Thanked everyone for their kind words.

DeSanctis – Nothing more to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairperson Stevens called for a twenty minute executive session at 8:17 pm to discuss collective bargaining negotiations per RCW 42.30.140(a) to return at 8:37 pm with possible action to follow.

Chairperson Stevens called for a fifteen minute extension at 8:47 to return at 8:52. Chairperson Stevens called for a fifteen minute extension at 8:52 to return at 9:07. Chairperson Stevens called for a fifteen minute extension at 8:47 to return at 9:22. Chairperson Stevens called for a fifteen minute extension at 8:47 to return at 9:37.

RECONVENE

The open public meeting reconvened at 9:38 pm.

Chairperson Stevens called for a motion to approve the 2020-2022 Battalion Chief Collective Bargaining Agreement as discussed in executive session.

Motion:

To approve the 2020-2022 Battalion Chief Collective Bargaining

Agreement.

Made By:

Ross

Seconded By:

Stevens

Action:

PASSED 3 to 2

ADJOURNMENT

With no further action required, the 6-17-20 regular meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Motion:

To adjourn the 6-17-20 regular meeting

Made By:

Norton

Seconded By:

Muller

Action:

PASSED unanimously

Martin McFalls

District Secretary

Date approved



Fire Prevention Report

Prepared by: Thomas Maloney, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal June 17, 2020

- > The total fire loss for 2020:
 - There was 17 fire incidents investigated in 2020. With over \$3.6 million in assessed value and over \$483,000 in fire loss.
- > We have created new checklists for permitting and informational sheets for our most frequently asked questions.
- ➢ Brian Merkley started his new role as Lt./Fire Inspector on June 1st and has completed his first inspector course last week. He will be taking his certification exam for Fire Inspector I on June 19.
- > Boom City will open for firework sales only on June 26 through July 4.
- We executed a successful social media campaign to recognize Emergency Medical Services week, educating our community about the services we provide. That included three produced videos showcasing our firefighters and how they respond to medical calls. Those videos earned over 4,000 views on Facebook. Our live tour of an MFD ambulance earned 2,300 views.
- We also published a social media video showcasing the work of Emergency Vehicle Technician Daniel Kindig that has earned 2,200 views in less than one week.
- We also shared a message with the community on our commitment to stand against hate and to make our community a stronger, healthier and better place
- > We conducted our first successful "virtual" car seat inspection for a local family.
- We continue to share messaging encouraging community members to wear masks in public and prevent the spread of COVID-19. We are also encouraging people to call 911 if needed as we continue receiving feedback that patients are scared to be taken to the hospital due to coronavirus fears or fears of being away from family.
- In partnership with the City of Marysville, we've launched our July 4th fireworks education campaign to remind residents that fireworks are banned in Marysville. We will also be working with other county fire agencies on messaging to discourage fireworks use.
- Marysville Fire District has so far participated in 14 parades for people in our community. This is a temporary service offering for our community in lieu of our normally scheduled public education events.
- Our Facebook audience recently surpassed 4,000 followers a 500 percent increase since 2017.
- Our Facebook audience increased 2 percent this month to 3,760 likes and 4,033 follows. Our Twitter audience is also up 2 percent to 1,984 followers. We currently reach 13,781 households on Nextdoor.

Public Education - Chart was removed as we are not conducting in-person events at this time.

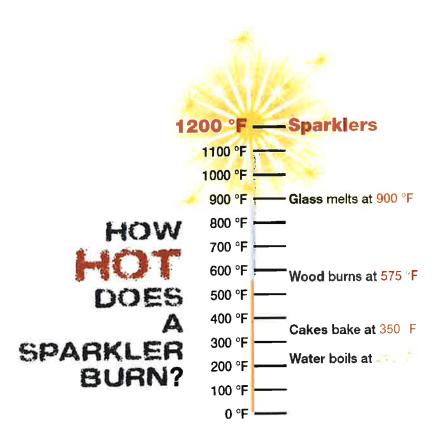
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Did You Know?

- Sparklers account for roughly 25 percent of emergency room fireworks injuries.

 More than half of injuries to children five and under are caused by sparklers.
- Children ages <u>10-14</u> had the highest rate of fireworks injury, with more than one-third of victims of fireworks injuries under age 15.
- Since Marysville's fireworks ban went into effect, Marysville Fire District has
 responded to significantly fewer reports of fireworks-related fires and injuries. In
 2019, MFD did not respond to a single fireworks-related fire or injury within
 Marysville city limits.



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