



## King County Fire Commissioner Association

### General Membership Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2017 6:00pm

### Mountain View Fire & Rescue Fire District 44

- I. 6:28pm - Call meeting to order
- II. Flag Salute led by Jim Fossos
- III. Welcome – Mountain View Fire District – Chief Smith
  - a. New station 96, own the station but not property
  - b. Tribe just gave their dept \$100,000
  - c. Changed their name to Mountain View Fire & Rescue from Fire District 44
  - d. 8 fire Stations, provide services to city of Black Diamond
  - e. Went to a 5 person commissioner board in 2000
- IV. Group Discussion – KCFCA General Meetings, locations, times and topics
  - a. The Group discussed why it's important to get together in person; exchange ideas, network and brainstorm is import but really important is the strengthen of our common voice. We need to get together so we know the current issues facing King County and how we can position ourselves to straighten our voice.
  - b. The Group discussed how often they should get together. After much discussion, it was determined that we should continue to meet monthly (except for December). Not everyone can make every meeting but if we have them monthly commissioners can make it to more meetings in a year.
  - c. The Group felt that the topics we have been presenting have been good and should continue with the same types of presentations.
  - d. The Group decided that it would be better to meet at the same central location instead of different districts each month. They felt that Renton or Burien would be the best central location. The group voted that this should begin in January of 2018 (after the joint banquet) but wanted the rest of the membership to weight in so Julie will be emailing the membership to notify them and get their vote at the annual WFCFA conference in October to make it official.
  - e. It was also felt that we don't need committee reports at every meeting, just when substantial change or notification is needed for a specific committee.
  - f. The group also voted that they would like our website to be more robust and would agree to spend money to make that happen (like having a way to skype to meeting and have blogs). The board is looking into this.
- V. Minutes Approval – There was no minutes Approval



- VI. Treasurer's Report – Camille Staczek – There was no Treasures report
- VII. Old Business
  - a. Nomination Committee – open in September – need a chair for the nominations committee. If interested contact Mark or Julie.
- VIII. New Business (2 min each)
  - a. Mark is looking for a Rural representative to the EMS Council, meet once a quarter (has to be an elected fire commissioner in King County). One year commitment (as long as levy passes). Responsible to represent how the system is set up (budgeting, programs, basic services, etc.) There is outside committee work involved. If interested contact Mark Thompson or Julie Hiatt.
  - b. KCFCA 50 Years Celebration – joint Banquet in January, Tshirts at the WFCA Conference in October.
  - c. “Red Fire Dept” on news lately. Not a real fire dept. They sell door to door to try to get money from people. King County Fire Chiefs association is working on notifying folks about this.
  - d. WFCA Annual Conference – In Spokane in October 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> at the New Grand Hotel. Mark reminded everyone to get proxies for other commissioners who can't attend.
  - e. Candy McCullough from Vashon Island presented about the NAFO conference coming up in Las Vegas in September for anyone who wants to attend. Contact Candy for more information.
  - f. Good of the order – There was no good of the order
  - g. Door Prizes – There was no Door Prizes
- IX. Jon Kennison moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kim Fischer, passed unanimously at 8:16pm.

#### Next Meetings

- A. Board: September 6, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- B. General Membership: September 20, 2017 - South King Fire – Des Moines Station 67 – Nominations Open
- C. Board: October 4, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- D. General Membership: October 18, 2017
- E. Board: November 1, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- F. General Membership: November 15, 2017 - Woodinville Fire – Officer Elections – Legislative Ideas
- G. Board: December 6, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- H. General Membership: December 20, 2017 - NO MEETING