



King County Fire Commissioner Association

General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2017 6:00pm

South King Fire & Rescue Fire District

- I. 6:10pm - Call meeting to order
- II. Flag Salute led by Mark Thompson
- III. Welcome – South King Fire & Rescue – Chief Church
 - a. Their District is 41 sq miles with 150,000 citizens, 9 Fire stations, 160 employees
 - b. They have a Class 2 fire rating
 - c. They have 21,000 alarms per year, a hazmat team, a technical team, a urban search and rescue team, one of which is in Florida right now, they were in Huston as well.
 - d. They also have a marine team with fire boat at the marina and a surface water rescue team.
 - e. They cover Des Moines and Federal Way and a portion of unincorporated King County.
- IV. President Mark Thompson awarded Chuck Duffy with a honorary lifetime member award and presented flowers to his wife Kelly. Chuck thanked us for the award and asked us to provide continued support for the new State Fire Marshall in Olympia.
- V. Instead of the scheduled Report on Cascadia Rising we had a presentation on King Co E-911 Strategic Plan Update and NextGen E-911 and platform options by King Co E-911 Program Office Staff. Presenters were:
 - a. Kathy Lombardo, Interim Program Manager of the King County E-911 Program Office
 - b. Deb Flewelling, Program Mgr 911 Program Office
 - c. Bob Potts, Director of Regional Services
 - d. Aaron Barak, King County Chief Technology Officer for King County also Co-chair for the Technology task force for E-911 NextGen
 - e. They are in Strategic Planning stage of E-911 NextGen Process. There was a scoping report done in May 2016 to determine what to include in the Strategic Plan. The deadline for the Strategic Plan is December 2017
 - f. There are three task forces – Finance, Governance, Technology. They make recommendations to the Leadership group.
 - g. There will be a vote on September 29th by the Leadership team on the recommendations from the Technical task force
 - h. There will be a vote on November 9th by the leadership team on the recommendation from the finance and governance task forces



- i. The governing board will be made up from 1 representative from each of the 12 PSAPs but they are not in existence now.
 - j. IAG – Interim Advisory Group – has 4 members that represent their PSAP along with others. They are in existence now and will phase out when the Governing board is created.
 - k. The technology task force has come up with 2 technology options:
 - i. Today each PSAP has their own server. One option is to upgrade each of these servers to the Next Gen technology and leave them at each PSAP (which they are calling the distributed option)
 - ii. The seconded identified options is to have 3 servers housed in strategic locations throughout the state (for security if there is a disaster and a PSAP is wiped out). They believe this will be easier and cheaper to manage in the future as well (only 3 servers instead of 12). This option they are calling the Platform Option. They believe this will be less expensive to manage going forward.
 - l. They estimated That over a 10 year period it is estimated that the platform option will cost 5 million more than the distributed option within the entire budget of 280 million
 - m. The technology task force recommended the Platform option to the leadership team with an 80.0 % vote.
- VI. Chris Elwell moved to approved the August General Meeting Minutes. Kim Fischer seconded it. It passed unanimously.
- VII. Treasurer’s Report – Camille Staczek – \$8,063.09 in the bank. Dues have been collected. Minimal expenses lately
- VIII. Old Business
- a. Nomination Committee
 - i. Kim volunteered to chair the committee
 - ii. Only two open board positions (Position #1 currently Ken Callahan and Position #3 currently Jon Kennison)
 - b. T-shirt/Golf Polo Shirts – Jon Kennison is working on getting samples for the next General meeting.
 - c. We will be holding an unofficial vote in October at the WFCA conference to see if our membership would like to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month or keep our meetings to the 3rd Wednesday and if we should have them at one central location or continue to move them around to different districts. Once the vote has taken place the board will make the final decision to recommend a by-laws change to be voted on at our November general meeting.
 - d. Saturday Seminar - Fire Commissioner 101 – Looking at having it at Shoreline on Saturday February 3, 2018. Kim Fischer and the Membership Committee are coordinating the seminar.
 - e. The 2018 Joint banquet in January will be at the Rainier Golf and Country Club. Pat Cashman will be the MC and guest speaker. Invitations will go out in November. We will



be inviting all King County Fire Commissioners, Chiefs, Admin staff. Other County Association, legislators, King County executive, council members and others.

- f. Chris Elwell is working with the WFCB board to see if they will reinstate their grants or pools for regional training use. He will keep us posted on the progress.

IX. New Business

- a. John Herbert made a motion for our association to write a letter to the E911 Leadership team in support of the Platform option. Chris Elwell seconded it. It passed with one Nay.
- b. Mark Thompson asked all commissioners to let the utility folks know that when new people move to the Puget Sound they should be paying their share of the 911 tax.
- c. Jim Fossos suggested that we create a steering committee between the commissioners and chiefs to find a better way to fund our districts.

X. Good of the order

- a. Jim Fossos reminded all commissioners that they should be charging their districts for their expenses for our association

XI. There were 5 Door Prizes awarded from the meeting raffle

- XII. Jon Kennison moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kim Fischer, passed unanimously at 8:32pm.

Next Meetings

- A. Board: October 4, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- B. General Membership: October 18, 2017, District 40
- C. Board: November 1, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- D. General Membership: November 15, 2017 - Woodinville Fire – Officer Elections – Legislative Ideas
- E. Board: December 6, 2017, 6:30pm Angelo's Restaurant, Bellevue
- F. General Membership: December 20, 2017 - NO MEETING