



**Board of Directors Meeting
July 12, 2017
Meeting Minutes
Angelo's Restaurant – Bellevue**

- I. Call To Order (keep comments on topic, need to adjourn at 8 PM)**
- II. Roll Call – Officers: President Mark Thompson, Treasurer Camille Staczek Directors: Ken Callahan, Jim Fossos, Jon Kennison**
- III. Additions/Changes to Agenda**
 - a. New Business: Change threshold for the 10 cities of 50,000 or more population when approving the King Co EMS Levy from unanimous to Majority
- IV. Minutes Approval from the last Board Meeting - None. Chris had taken minutes but not distributed**
- V. Officer Reports (Submit your written report to Secretary prior to meeting)**
 - a. Treasurer's Report – Camille Staczek
 - i. \$7,415.00 in Checking
 - ii. Received \$130.00 for SBC class registration
 - b. President – Mark Thompson
 - i. Update KC Investment Pool Advisory Committee appointment Bill Gates South King Fire; Executive office has his nomination and endorsement letter but have not forwarded to County Council as there are other appointments pending. They have invited Bill to attend all meetings as though he has been officially appointed, which he attended.
- VI. Committee/Team Reports**
 - a. WFCA Legislative Committee Report – Mark Thompson;
 - i. State Operating Budget has been approved by Legislature in 3rd Special Session. Operating Budget includes a modified Levy Swap of 80 Cents to the State \$3.90 portion of the taxation.
 - ii. Legislature in 3rd special session have not yet approved the State Capital Budget that funds various construction projects in the State, including the repairs at the State Fire Training Center. Members need to contact their legislators on the

Hotline 1-800-562-6000 support for approving capital budget to start repairs at fire training center.

b. King County Fire Chiefs – Mark Thompson

- i. Chiefs are sponsoring their 2nd Annual Leadership seminar in September at Swinomish Casino in Sequim, designed as educational opportunity for all fire officers and those interested in promoting and learn tricks of the trade in today's changing fire service environment. Notice being emailed to all districts by Chiefs Association.**
- ii. Chiefs committees have proposed a new automatic aid agreement that provides prime station coverage during automatic aid responses to assist departments in King County. Will be ready for distribution and approval by all fire departments and Districts and their respective legislative bodies.**
- iii. Chiefs are proposing a change to the EMS Levy approval process that strikes the unanimous approval by cities of 50,000 population and more to a majority approval by participating cities of 50,000 or more population. In an effort to reflect that there are now 10 cities that have reached or exceeded the 50,000 population threshold. They are asking for Commissioner partnership in proposing change to the EMS Ordinance. King Co EMS is open to the change.**

c. King County Emerg Medical Services Advisory Committee (EMSAC) John Rickert

- i. King Co EMSAC has started review process for the Community Medical Team (CMT) cars and discussions on data review; as each provider has a different operation model during this trial period. Notes from meeting were emailed to Board members and posted on Website.**

d. King County Emerg Management Advisory Committee (EMAC) Jim Fossos

- i. 7-12 meeting only 2 law enforcement, 3 fire service and the county EMD staff attended.**
- ii. Discussion regarding participation of the various partners from the cities, law enforcement and fire service partners and King County Emergency Management. Since federal funds are drying up, participation has waned. There is a lot that needs to be done to better prepare and train for potential large scale incidents and review of Cascadia Rising drill strengths and weaknesses and other areas that were less than adequate. Jim suggested a joint meeting with Chiefs E-Board to discuss situation and possible meeting with the County Executive to address the issues and support the Emergency Management Director to be a Cabinet position with direct access to the Executive so as to work towards resolving emergency management issues and support for a workable plan to respond during all risk emergencies.**

e. Washington State Dept of Health Regional Trauma Care Council – Ken Callahan

- i. July meeting was cancelled. Next Meeting in September**

f. Training/Education Team

- i. Commissioner Orientation – Sunday September 17 – VP Coughlin**



- i. Open roundtable type program to answer questions of Fire Commissioner Candidates
 - ii. Letters of Invitation will be sent to all commissioners candidates after the primary election. Location to be determined
- ii. Commissioner 101 Academy Saturday Jan 6 – Mark T**
 - i. Changed name from class to Academy.
 - ii. Need to find location
 - iii. Joe Quinn on board for academy
 - iv. Need a couple association members to assist in the planning/logistics and ideas for location to conduct the academy. Idea is to have the academy before new commissioners attend their first district board meeting.
- g. Webpage Team – Charlotte Ryan**
 - i. Need some help from association members or family members familiar with websites to assist Charlotte in developing a more responsive/informative webpage
 - ii. Minutes from various committees are being posted on the website under the specific committees in an effort keep everyone informed as to what is happening.
- h. Recognition Team – Review Honorary member Inscription – Markt**
 - i. Distributed copy of a draft inscription for review and comment.
 - ii. Camille indicated that it needed less run on sentences, will wordsmith and send revisions to Mark T prior to ordering plaque from JAE Awards.
 - iii. Moved by Jim Fossos, seconded by Camille, to purchase Honorary Member Plaque for Chuck Duffy Motion approved.
- i. Other Committee/Team Reports**

VII. Old Business

- a. Association Merchandise Update – Jon Kennison**
 - i. Jon brought in 3 samples of shirts in various price ranges. All in attendance reviewed the samples and picked 2 styles to be offered. Shirts are Port Authority shirts and run larger than size indicated. Shirts are available in various colors. 2xx and larger shirts are \$5.00 more
 - ii. Shirts can be embroidered with your name on right chest for an additional \$5.00 per shirt
 - iii. Jon will develop order form with all colors, sizes and if you want name on right chest. Make checks payable to King Co Fire Commissioners Association.
 - iv. 4 inch patches of the association logo were also ordered. One dozen patches or the minimum were authorized.
 - v. Moved by Jim Fossos and seconded by Camille to authorize the two styles shirts with association logo only for \$29.00 to \$34.00 each and 12 or minimum order of association

patches. Member responsible for cost of name if so desired. Colors White, Royal Blue and Tan Motion Approved

- vi. Jon will have sample shirts and order form at the July 19th Meeting and subsequent general membership meetings.

b. Membership Survey

- i. Only 7 Responses including Board mbrs Printed report next month
- ii. Suggestion to improve future responses would be to create an email user name King Co Fire Commissioners as name, so when members get the email it is identified as the association rather than a name they may not be familiar with. Might improve response
- iii. Survey questions were very well put together. Members must remember when responding to survey's to just type answers; the program will wrap around text without using enter button. May have been frustrating for many when responding, that they just gave up
- iv. Need to send another survey to seek input on moving our General Membership meetings to either the 2nd or 4th Wednesday of the month so as to accommodate the 4 districts that now have meetings on the 3rd Wednesday. Need results before we can amend Bylaws.

c. EMAC – organizational structure – not functioning –

- i. Discuss with Councilmembers/County Exec – Do we need to send a letter or schedule meeting with Exec/Council Chair? Moved by Jon and seconded by Ken, to schedule a joint E-Board meeting with the Fire Chiefs Association to discuss the issues and develop strategy to address the County Executive and Emergency Management Director. Motion approved. President to notify fire chiefs of desire to meet on this topic

VII Old Business Cont

d. Citizen At Large open position on EMSAC –

- i. Ed Plumlee name and letter of endorsement has been submitted to EMS Director. They are waiting to see if there is any other names to be submitted. The EMSAC will review the names at their September meeting and then vote and send recommendation to the County Executive for appointment.

e. EMSAC Rural Commissioner Rep –

- i. 1 name, Larry Rude, King 10, submitted so far, letter of interest Packet Emailed to Board;
- ii. will resend announcement info for 2nd call and E-Board will review and endorse at August E Board Mtg. Next EMSAC meeting is in September.

VIII. New Business:

a. Fire District and RFA membership dues when a district is part of RFA

- i. Eastside Fire is an independent org that is comprised of a governance board to manage contracts, level of service to those cities and districts that are part of a consolidated management group for Eastside Fire. Fire Dist 10 and 38 are independent municipal corporations that make decisions independent of Eastside; the districts have a single representative to the Eastside Board of Directors. Just like King 25 and 40 and Renton RFA. District 31 contracts to Valley RFA, but has no seat at the table. Should be separate dues for Eastside Fire and Dist 10 and 38; and district 25, Renton RFA and District 31 and Valley RFA. Moved by Jim Fossos, second by Ken Callahan to designate membership as indicated above. Motioned Approved



c. Registration fees member districts vs. non-member districts

A question was posed at the June meeting as to what the registration fees are for Association sponsored events and why non-member districts pay the same as member districts.

None member districts pay a larger registration fee than King Co member districts. The amount is determined by the Board of Directors for each event. With some of the King County Districts and RFA's not being dues paying members, the Board of Directors and Team members working the event, need to make sure the King Co non-member agencies attending pay the non-member registration fees.

c. 50 Year Celebration

- i. just have cake and Ice Cream if so When/Where or just let it pass?
- ii. Moved by Ken Callahan, Seconded by Camille Stanzek, to purchase a cake and ice cream for a 50 year anniversary of the King County Fire Commissioners Association and serve it up at the September General Membership meeting at South King Fire & Rescue and invite local dignitaries (county Council/Exec office, WFCA, legislators, mayor etc). Motion approved

d. Saturday Seminar 2017 Legislative Update on changes to Open Public Meetings, Public Records, SBC – need Team leader and Date

- a. **Discuss at July General membership meeting, as to need and when or request WFCA sponsor a program, early in 2018.**

- e. Change threshold for the 10 cities of 50,000 or more population when approving the King Co EMS Levy from unanimous to Majority. Moved by Jon Kennison, seconded by Jim Fossos, to send letter to King County Council/Executive to amend the EMS Levy Ordinance to change the unanimous approval by the Cities of 50,000 population or more to a majority approval. Coordinate with the King Co Fire Chiefs. Motion approved.

IX. Good of the Order

- j. Ken Callahan indicated how impressed he was that King 47 invited us to their district for the June General Membership meeting and how nice it was to see how they have progressed and are now faced with increased population and those issues that come along with more residents. He encourages all the fire districts to sign up and host one of our monthly meetings. It was an opportunity to reflect back and network with district 47 board members to let them know that we are available to help them in approaching policies and planning for the future of their district.
- ii. Mark mentioned that we need some donated items for our membership drawings at our General Membership meetings. All members please solicit items from local businesses to contribute to the Door Prize Drawings. Contact Commissioner Bill Fuller, South King Fire, if you have items or a lead of someone who would like to donate items.

- iii. Need to start process to identify goal for association for 2018 through membership survey; start process by asking at the July General membership meeting

X. Adjourn

- i. **Jon Kennison moved adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 2012 hrs.**

Mark L. *Thompson*

Submitted by Mark Thompson, Recording minutes

General membership Meetings:

- July – District 10 at 175 Newport Way NE HQ station (VP Coughlin to Chair)**
- August 16th – King 44 Mtn View Fire/Rescue newest fire station (need address-Kevin)**
- September 20th – South King Fire- Des Moines Station 67 2228 S. 223rd St Nominations Open**
- October 18th – King 40 1802 108th Ave SE (VP Coughlin to Chair)**
- November 15th – Woodinville Fire -Officer Elections (VP Coughlin to Chair)**
- December – NO MEETING**

E-Board Meetings:

- July 12th due to holiday**
- August 2nd**
- September 6th VP Coughlin to Chair**
- October 4th**
- November 1st VP Coughlin to Chair**
- December 6th**