



**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.14
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
February 9, 2016**

PRESENT: Commissioner RobRoy Graham, Commissioner Leonard Bjornstad, District Chief Jerry DeBruin, Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp, Battalion Chief Denise Christensen, Training Division Lieutenant David Moe, and District Administrator Jo Olson

ABSENT: Commissioner Larry Moore and Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr.

GUESTS: Stephen Johnson, stake holder

Regular Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM at Kendall Fire Station

Items signed by the Commissioners:

- Regular meeting minutes read and approved
- Warrants in the amount of \$25,367.29
- Payroll in the amount of \$26,090.33

Hand Outs:

- Treasurers Report
- Bank of The Pacific Statement
- Monthly Incident Reports

Correspondence:

- Census Bureau Letter
- Letter from the City of Sumas

January's Treasurers Report:

714 Expense Fund

• Starting Balance	\$128,096.89
• Tax Receipts	\$960.48
• Misc. Receipts	\$10,896.00
• Warrants	\$70,508.22
• Refund Interest Paid	.22
• Ending Cash Balance	\$69,444.93
• Investment Starting Balance	\$166,770.47
• Pool Investment Interest	\$108.23
• Total Cash & Investment Pool	\$236,323.63

71410 Go Bond

• Prior Debt	\$109,195.91
• Debt Paid	\$729.62
• Debt Outstanding	\$108,466.29

71420 Reserve Fund

• Prior Balance	\$126,891.18
• Purchases & Pool Earnings	\$82.35
• Ending Balance	\$126,973.53

Bank of the Pacific Statement:

• Beginning Balance (01/01/2016)	\$3,760.01
• Deposits/Misc. Credits 17	\$8,100.20
• Withdrawals/Misc. Credits 4	\$10,896.00
• Ending Balance (01/31/2016)	\$964.21

Old Business:

Cell Tower:

- Commissioner Graham asked if there were any new developments on the Cell Tower
- District Chief DeBruin indicated nothing new and it is on hold for the time being

City of Sumas Response Letter:

- Commissioner Graham discussed the City of Sumas response letter and indicated he got legal advice
- Commissioner Graham asked about any other developments as far as meeting with the City of Sumas
- District DeBruin indicated that has spoken with Mayor Bromley and that they are in process of setting a date to meet

Quick Med Claims:

- Commissioner Graham asked how it was going with Quick Med Claims and the BLS process
- District Chief DeBruin said all was in place except for the payment portion on whether we handle it ourselves or set up a Lockbox Banking Service
- District Chief DeBruin indicated for the time being the Bellingham Fire Department would continue with the payment process for now
- District Chief DeBruin is hoping maybe the Bellingham Fire Department could keep doing the payment process part

District Chief DeBruin:

Engine 92 (E92):

- District Chief DeBruin spoke to being down an engine with E92 being out for repairs

County EMS Levy News:

- District Chief DeBruin spoke to the EMS Levy
- Discussion continued on EMS Levy

Training Division Lieutenant Moe:

Incident Report Hand-Outs:

- Training Division Lieutenant Moe spoke to the Incident Report hand-outs

Trauma Training:

- Training Division Lieutenant Moe indicated the Trauma Training at the Border Patrol is going well

Red Card Training (Red Card is officially known as an Incident Qualification Card):

- Training Division Lieutenant Moe indicated a Red Card Class will be available soon for interested volunteers
- Training Division Lieutenant Moe noted it will be a 40-hour class, and fortunately it will be weekend hours, so more volunteers can take advantage of the class

- Discussed was the certification for volunteers as well as for getting vehicles certified

Rope Recue Class:

- Training Division Lieutenant Moe indicated Glacier will be putting together a Rope Rescue Class soon
- Training Division Lieutenant Moe noted that unfortunately this class will not be weekend hours but hopefully we get some people interested in taking the class

Other District Training:

- Training Division Lieutenant Moe said other district training is going well

EMT Class:

- Training Division Lieutenant Moe indicated our volunteer student is doing well in class

Fire Station Reports:

- Station 1, Sumas Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp
 - Battalion Chief Van Middendorp indicated everything is going well at Sumas
 - Battalion Chief Van Middendorp spoke about an oil leak on A91
- Station 2, Kendall Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr.
 - Battalion Chief Cain Jr. was absent from meeting
- Station 3, Welcome Battalion Chief Denise Christensen
 - Battalion Chief Christensen indicated all is going well
 - Battalion Chief Christensen noted they have had great attendance for training and calls
 - Battalion Chief Christensen said there were a couple volunteers who expressed interest in taking a CPR Instructor Class
 - Battalion Chief Christensen spoke about how the volunteers appreciated Training Division Lieutenant Moe stopping by and saying hi at the last training class

GUESTS: Stephen Johnson

- Commissioner Graham asked if Stephen Johnson had anything he would like to discuss
- Stephen Johnson indicated he was happy to hear about the Red Card Training as that is near and dear to his heart

Incident at Glacier:

- District Chief DeBruin spoke to a Rescue incident at Nooksack Falls in Glacier
- Discussion continued on the complicated rescue

Roadside Trail:

- Commissioner Graham spoke about a fatality accident on Kendall Road
- District Chief DeBruin says because of the current fatality there is now more talk about a roadside trail that many have been campaigning about for some time now for a trail to make foot and bike traffic safer in the Kendall area

Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:44PM

The next regular meeting will be at Kendall Station on March 8, 2016 at 5:00 PM

COMMISSIONER-CHAIR---Larry Moore

COMMISSIONER---RobRoy Graham

COMMISSIONER---Leonard Bjornstad

DISTRICT ADMIN---Jo Olson