

**THURSTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT THREE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

January 7, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE: 5:30 pm

Present:

Chairman Houser
Vice Chairman Christiansen
Commissioner Dobry

Chairman Houser welcomed newly elected Commissioner Gene Dobry.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Vice Chairman Christiansen

Second: Commissioner Dobry

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC/MEMBERS PRESENT

No comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion: Vice Chairman Christiansen

Second: Commissioner Dobry

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

- A. Minutes of the December 17, 2009 regular meeting and the December 18, 2009 special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.
- B. General Fund checks numbered # 10160 through # 10199 in the amount of \$44,133.95.
- C. Payroll # 12B in the amount of \$527,598.58.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. EMS - MEDIC ONE

No report. The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2010.

B. CAPCOM

Chairman Houser reported on the January 6, 2010 meeting.

- Chairman Houser and Chief Pearson will serve on a subcommittee that will oversee the transition to an independent agency. The subcommittee is also charged with drafting a new Intergovernmental Agreement.
- The cost to repair the mobile communication repeater site at St. Peter's Hospital only cost about \$100,000, which will primarily be covered by insurance. Our portion on the balance will likely be \$12,500–25,000.
- The proposed new tax on phone and data lines could generate approximately \$160,000 to upgrade CAPCOM equipment, if passed by the 2010 Legislature.

C. CITY / DISTRICT LIAISON

No report.

D. THURSTON COUNTY FIRE COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Chairman Houser reported that Chief Pearson attended the TFRTC Firefighter I Recruit Academy and Medic One EMT Course Graduation on December 21, 2009. Chief Pearson stated there was no meeting agenda to report on.

E. THURSTON REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

No report. The next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2010.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Draft Ballot Title and Explanatory Statement

A draft title and explanatory statement for the November voter's pamphlet regarding annexation of the City of Lacey was provided in the Agenda. Chairman Houser invited the Board to direct their comments by email to Chief Broman. There was brief discussion about the draft language by City attorney, Ken Ahlf. Chairman Houser requested that a final draft combining language from Ahlf and the District's attorney, Steve DeJulio be presented to the Board for approval at the next meeting.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Chairman Houser referred to Resolution 596-02-93, which establishes the standard for the District's Board election of officers and committee assignments, and announced that nominations will be accepted at the next meeting, January 21, 2010, and an election would take place the first meeting in February.
- B. Chairman Houser presented a document by Foster Pepper, the firm of the District's attorney, Steve DeJulio, requesting a "Waiver of Conflict" in a case where they are representing the cities of Yelm, Olympia and Lacey on a water rights issue.

MOTION: To sign the "Waiver of Conflict" presented to the District by Foster Pepper.

Motion: Vice Chairman Christiansen

Second: Commissioner Dobry

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Chairman Houser proceeded to sign one copy of the waiver to return to Foster Pepper and another copy to be filed with the District.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- A. Chief Pearson announced the arrival of two new personnel to the District. Tyler Byers is a new Paramedic Firefighter who join "B" shift on January 23rd following a week of orientation beginning January 16th. Steve Montgomery, formerly a volunteer firefighter since 2006, will join "B" Shift as a Temporary Firefighter also on January 16th.
- B. Chief Pearson announced the Nisqually Indian Tribe 2009 Charitable Contribution Awards ceremony on January 16, 2010 at the Washington Center for Performing Arts. Lacey Fire District is in line for an award. Chief Pearson will respond with RSVPs from Commissioner Dobry and his wife and Vice Chairman Christiansen.
- C. Chief Pearson reminded the Board of the upcoming Legislative Day scheduled for January 20, 2010. The Commissioners will attend the morning sessions and the lunch.

IX. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Vice Chairman Christianson thanked Chief Dickson and staff for the recent health newsletter and encouraged routine medical testing for prevention and early intervention.

Commissioner Dobry stated he is honored and excited to serve on the Board of Fire Commissioners. He further stated that he will be an active participant in the District and is looking forward to sharing new ideas and bringing a new perspective to the Board.

Chairman Houser welcomed Commissioner Dobry and assured the public and members that the Board will accept and embrace the change. Chairman Houser also thanked Vice Chairman Christiansen for sharing his personal experience with early cancer intervention and assured him that “our thoughts and prayers are with you.”

X. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

XI. PENDING LIST

	Item	Status
A.	Suggestion Box Proposal	Staff to develop draft.
B.	Vehicle Maintenance Program	Evaluate consultant recommendations on program.
C.	PIO Program	Develop job expectations.

XII. HEARING OF PUBLIC/MEMBERS PRESENT

None.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 21, 2010 – 5:30 pm

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Chairperson

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST: _____
Secretary