

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

February 19, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE: 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Houser

Vice Chairman Christiansen

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: To amend the agenda to include Warrant Authorization #6630 – mail processing fees for a district-wide mailing. To approve the agenda as amended.

Motion: Vice Chairman Christiansen

Second: Chairman Houser

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Note: The Board convened in executive session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss matters of litigation with the attorney for the District. The Board recessed the executive session at 6:50 p.m. with no action resulting.

III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC/MEMBERS PRESENT

No comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda as written.

Motion: Vice Chairman Houser

Second: Commissioner Christiansen

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

- A. Minutes of the February 5, 2009 regular meeting of the Board.
- B. General Fund check numbers #8952 through #8991, in the amount of \$55,579.16.
- C. Payroll #2A in the amount of \$361,157.23.

Discussion: There was brief discussion about warrant vouchers and about our cost of fuel. Chief Broman agreed to do an evaluation of fuel costs for the information of the Board.

Chairman Houser made a clarification on the February 5, 2009 regular meeting minutes. CAPCOM has prepared a letter in support of a legislative bill that will NOT do away with the excise tax on phone lines as reported in the minutes but will maintain the current excise tax AND add additional tax in 50 cent increments to all data output lines, not simply telephone lines, to fund the new generation 911 system.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. EMS - MEDIC ONE

Vice Chairman Christiansen reported on the meeting of the Thurston County Medic One EMS Council. They instated new commissioners at the meeting and agreed to give voting rights to the County Commissioner on the Council voting rights. Some minor changes were made to the by-laws and the 2009 Business Plan was approved. Chair McPhee and Vice Chair Halvorson were voted in as officers for 2009. Finally, a Bariatric Utilization Process was approved and a Legislative update was given.

B. CAPCOM

No report.

C. THURSTON COUNTY FIRE COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Vice Chairman Christiansen reported that Chief Broman has been named President of the Fire Chiefs Association.

The Board asked Chief Broman to register them for the upcoming Fire Commissioners Legislative Workshop to be held March 9. The Board will cover their own travel expenses.

D. DISTRICT/CITY LIAISON

No report.

E. THURSTON REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

No report.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Aid Unit 34 Re-Chassis

MOTION: To accept the bid from Braun Northwest to Re-chassis Aid Unit 34 in the amount of \$90,045.00, funds to be used from Fund 828 – ER&R.

Motion: Vice Chairman Christiansen

Second: Chairman Houser

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Broman presented an Educational Incentive Proposal for consideration by the Board. The staff recommendation is for the Board to approve \$15,000 for the continuing education of District members for 2009. Consideration of the proposal and vote will be taken at the next regular meeting.

Chief Broman announced a new scholarship program at South Puget Sound Community College and an upcoming fundraiser to support the scholarship as follows:

Rising Tide Brunch

Sunday, April 19, 2009 11:00 a.m.

Save the date for the annual Rising Tide Brunch at Anthony's Hearthfire Grill.

Proceeds from the 2009 Rising Tide Brunch will benefit the South Puget Sound Community College Fire and Emergency Services Technology program and the mission of the College Foundation.

Additionally, there is a benefit concert by the "Righteous Mothers" scheduled for March 27, 2009 at the Washington Center for Performing Arts, also to support the FEST scholarship fund.

IX. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Vice Chairman Christiansen congratulated staff and Union members on their efforts related to the current court battle and emphasized the District is waiting on a response from the City about the possibility of mediation rather than litigation.

X. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

XI. PENDING LIST

	Item	Status
A.	Suggestion Box Proposal	Policy Documents to be developed.

B.	Handbook Draft Revision 3	Policy Documents to be developed.
C.	Extended care for LEOFF 1 employees	Insurance Providers are reviewing applications.
D.	Station Security: Vehicles in Parking Lot	Assigned to Chief Broman to research alternatives and cost.
E.	Juvenile Fire setter Program	Evaluate county-wide program
F.	Maintenance Shop	Evaluate contract work for shop. Commission Christiansen stated that Meridian Hughes has expressed interest, pending the outcome of their proposals to other surrounding Fire districts.

XII. HEARING OF PUBLIC/MEMBERS PRESENT

No comment.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Chairperson

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST: _____
Secretary