

**SKAGIT COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 17**  
(Minutes Pending Approval)

**February 11, 2013**

The **Rescheduled Fire Commissioners** meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Commissioner Bogosian.

Present: Commissioners Bogosian and Bear, Chief Stamper, Assistant Chief Francis, Medical Officer White, Captain Pyke, Public Information Officer L. Francis and Secretary Pellett. Guests: Edith Walden and Jim Dugan. Commissioner Murphy was absent.

The minutes of January 8, 2013 were approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Operating Fund balance \$40,416.27. Investment Fund balance \$76,123.34. Total bills \$10,427.15. Salaries \$1,788.33. Grand total \$12,215.48.

**Open:** Carol requested some gravel be put in front of the mailbox which tends to be a lake and/or mud in heavy rain. Commissioners approved and Mike will see it gets done. Carol further requested the commissioners consider the idea of having another person trained as secretary for backup. At this point no one knows anything about the position. The commissioners concurred and we will move in that direction.

**Chief's Report:** See attached. There was further discussion about CO monitors, how they work, where they should be placed and the rules needed for homes. CO low levels are also dangerous. The monitors should be placed outside every sleeping area. Any home built after 2009 is required to have one or more.

**Old Business:** There was no discussion of the complete standards and procedures that Chief Stamper has finished. He will email the administration section of 77 pages to the commissioners to be discussed at the next meeting. The remainder boiler plate procedures will also be discussed at that time. Chief Stamper advised that he didn't get paperwork in and completed for the WSP reimbursement last year. We may be able to get part of it, Mike is working with them.

**New Business:**

The commissioners approved the retirement paperwork for Carl Meinzinger for the Board For Volunteer Firefighters pension.

**Resolution #312** - Credit Card Acquisition was unanimously approved. This resolution approves acquisition of a credit card the fire department.

**Resolution #313** - Membership in Thrive. In an effort to promote health, strength and capability for the firefighters, the fire department will provide memberships for the entire fire department at Thrive.

A brief discussion on the budget categories ensued. There will be further discussions. The discussion of salaries will take place at another meeting. This meeting will also be a public meeting. Any decision to be made will take place at the regular commissioners meeting March 12, 2013.

Edith Walden requested attendance at the meeting. She is writing an article for The Tide and would like to have as much background information as possible. Her goal is for the Tide to have an article on the fire department in each issue, so islanders understand how much is involved in becoming a firefighter, the work they put in, the compensation and the continual need for dedicated firefighters. Edith also suggested that when a regular commissioner meeting date is changed, it might be better to have the meeting later than the regular scheduled meeting, not earlier.

A Work Meeting date was not set.

The commissioners reviewed the invoices from January 8, 2013 to February 11, 2013 and approved the invoices in the amount \$10,427.15, salaries of \$1,788.33. Grand total \$12,215.48.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

The next Regular meeting will be March 12, 2013 at 7:00 OM in the Fire Hall.

Submitted by  
Carol Pellett, Secretary

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Commissioner Chip Bogosian, Chairman