

1 **Vashon Island Fire & Rescue**
2 **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
3 **Penny Farcy Training Center**
4 February 6, 2007

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6 Commissioner Turner called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Commissioners present
7 were Sommers, Nielsen, Hoffmann and Turner.

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9 Welcoming Remarks

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11 All who wished stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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13 Commissioner Turner amended the minutes by adding to Board assignments that
14 Commissioner Hoffmann will continue to review the vouchers. Commissioner Sommers
15 moved to approve the minutes for January 23, 2007 as amended. Commissioner
16 Hoffmann seconded the motion. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

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18 Voucher Approval

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20 Commissioner Nielsen moved to approve the vouchers listed below. Commissioner
21 Sommers seconded the motion. All Commissioners present voted in favor

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23 Charles Krimmert, a volunteer with the District, asked for an explanation of the Board of
24 Volunteers Pension Plan.

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26 Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer required by RCW 42.24.080 and
27 those expenses reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been
28 recorded on the listing which has been made available to the Board. As of this date,
29 February 6, 2007 the Board does approve for payment those vouchers included below.
30 Including \$148,775.12 paid for payroll.

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32 Vouchers 100000 – 100016 for the amount of \$38,742.37

33 Vouchers 100017 – 100018 for the amount of \$8,861.42

34 Vouchers 100019 – 100040 for the amount of \$22,854.99

35 Vouchers 100041 – 100051 for the amount of \$16556.01

36 Vouchers 100052 – 100063 for the amount of \$4,166.24

37 Vouchers 120224 – 120239 for the amount of \$9,945.94

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39 Amendments to agenda

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41 Commissioner Sommers added two correspondence items on the agenda that were in the
42 Board Packet, one was the thank you to Joy Cleaners and the other was the letter received
43 from Washington State Ferries. Commissioner Hoffmann added the EMT class.
44 Commissioner Turner removed the Disaster computer agenda item.
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1 Chief Yamane handed out the January 2007 edition of the Fireline News letter for the
2 Washington Fire Commissioners Association and an Emergency Resource Guide
3 published by King County Emergency Operations.
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5 Volunteer Representative Comments

6 Charles Krimmert had no comment.
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8 Paid Staff Representative Comments

9 Captain Kranjceovich had no comment.
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11 Chief's Report

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13 Matt Sullivan, the Finance Director, reported that the District accessed the Maintenance
14 contingency account for two different vehicle accidents. Chief Yamane reported that
15 Commissioner Sommers, Nielsen and others from Vashon attended the King County
16 Town Hall meeting about the wind storm and how utilities dealt with outages and
17 disseminated the information to the public, and what was learned.
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19 Joe Wolf, a District volunteer, has accepted the Firefighter job and will start on February
20 12, 2007.
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22 **Old Business**

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24 Crowley Tug Invoice

25 Mr. Sullivan presented both a credit memo that forgave the invoice from Crowley Tugs
26 and the District's thank you letter to Crowley for removing the invoice from the District's
27 account. Commissioner Nielsen wanted this to go in the Beachcomber to publicize the
28 great community service Crowley provided in helping to put out a fire in a waterfront
29 home on Vashon.
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31 Planning Committee Update

32 Chief Yamane presented a prioritized list of projects/issues set by the Planning
33 Committee.
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35 Commissioner Turner wanted to add financial planning to the tasks on the prioritized list.
36 He believes that addressing topics such as the levy lid lift, and BLS transport fees, in the
37 context of finance would be more important than addressing disaster preparedness.
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39 Commissioner Sommers said that the issues on the prioritized list will drive budget
40 discussions.
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42 The three committees Chief Yamane would like to start with are Communications,
43 headed up by Battalion Chief Coll; Volunteers, headed up by Chief Yamane; and
44 Finances, headed up by Matt Sullivan, Finance Director. When the new Assistant Chief is
45 hired, a fourth committee may be established.
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1 Chief Yamane will advertise in the Beachcomber and give the public the opportunity to
2 sign up for some of these committees. Sommers asked about the size of committees and
3 whether letters of interest should be requested of potential committee members in the
4 event that some committees become too large to be useful.

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6 **New Business**

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8 **New Tender 55**

9 Brett Kranjceвич, the Maintenance Manager reported that on January 10, 2007, the
10 District went out to bid for a tender truck to replace Tender 55. He handed out some
11 specs on Tender 55. The District received two requests for specs one from Rosenbauer
12 America (Central States) and the other from Ferrara Fire Apparatus. The District also
13 sent one to Pierce Manufacturing unsolicited. When the bids were open there was only
14 one bid from Rosenbauer America and two no bid letters from Pierce Manufacturing and
15 Ferrara Fire Apparatus. Rosenbauer America has been the low bidder on the District last
16 4 fire apparatus purchases.

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18 Commissioner Sommers asked what was budgeted; Mr. Kranjceвич responded
19 \$313,000. Mr. Kranjceвич said with tax the bid came to \$297,993.77. Sommers asked
20 about painting and whether any other expenses are required. Mr Kranjceвич said that he
21 will negotiate with Central States to see if they will paint the tender to VIFR
22 requirements (logo, etc) at no additional charge. He believes that they will be willing to
23 do it. If they are not and it must be done locally, the cost is anticipated to be less than
24 \$1,000.

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26 Mr. Kranjceвич asked the Commissioners to accept the bid from Rosenbauer America
27 (Central States) and stated that the bid will be good for 30 days with delivery date 325
28 days from signing.

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30 Commissioner Sommers moved to approve \$297,993.77 and accept the bid from
31 Rosenbaer America (Central States) for a new tender to replace Tender 55.
32 Commissioner Nielsen seconded the motion. Commissioners voting in favor were
33 Nielsen, Sommers and Turner. Commissioner Hoffmann abstained.

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35 **Vashon Be Prepared/Computer – was removed from the agenda**

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37 **Lid Lift – Matt Sullivan**

38 Matt Sullivan presented a Q & A sheet on Levy Lid Lifts. In the next couple of meetings
39 he will present a resolution to the Board for approval. Upon approval of the resolution
40 paper work will be forwarded to government agencies to place the issue on the ballot.
41 Sommers felt it was premature to discuss this until better groundwork has been laid to
42 justify it.

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44 Crag Harmeling said that the Planning Committee was also looking at the levy lid lift
45 issue.

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1 Thank you Letter for Joys Village Cleaners

2 Commissioner Sommers announced that Joys Village Cleaners graciously cleaned the
3 District's Santa Clause suite for no charge and that a thank you letter was sent.

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5 Letter from the Washington State Ferries

6 Commissioner Sommers said that Fire Districts that use the WSF have tried to negotiate
7 as a block and now the WSF has been trying to negotiate with the Fire Districts
8 separately. The District pays dues to the Washington Fire Commissioners Association
9 (WFCA) and Commissioner Sommers would like Roger Farris from WFCA to negotiate
10 for the Fire Districts as a block to give leverage to some of the smaller Fire Districts.

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12 Commissioner Nielsen said that the Board has been negotiating with WSF and that the
13 WSF has drawn out this negotiation for three years.

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15 Matt Sullivan, Finance Director, recommended waiting and see what the WSF offers the
16 District before proceeding independently.

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18 EMT Class

19 Commissioner Hoffmann asked for permission to take the EMT class and become a
20 volunteer. Commissioner Nielsen moved to allow Commissioner Hoffmann to take the
21 EMT class. Commissioner Sommers seconded the motion. All Commissioners present
22 voted in favor. The Commissioners will look at the resolution passed in July, 2004,
23 before approving Commissioner Hoffmann's request to be a volunteer for the District.

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25 General Comments

26 Commissioner Sommers reported on King County's Town Hall meeting in West Seattle.

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28 Commissioner Nielsen moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Sommers seconded
29 the motion. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

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31 The meeting ended at 8:25 PM.

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33 Maridee BonaDea
34 District Secretary