

**VASHON ISLAND FIRE & RESCUE  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

Minutes

**Date:** 02/10/15

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Place:** 10020 SW Bank Rd., Vashon, EOC Room

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Present:** Candy McCullough, Chair  
David Hoffmann, Vice-Chair  
Rex Stratton, Commissioner  
Camille Staczek, Commissioner  
Ron Turner, Commissioner  
  
Hank Lipe, Fire Chief  
George Brown, Assistant Chief  
Susan Wolf, Minute Taker

1 **Amendments to Agenda**

2 None.

3 **Approval of 01/27/15 Minutes**

4 Motion by Commissioner Stratton:

5 **“I move we approve the minutes of our last meeting.”**

6 **APPROVED, 5-0**

7 **Voucher Approval**

8 Motion by Commissioner Turner:

9 **“I move we approve the referenced vouchers and transfers as detailed in**  
10 **Administrative Memorandum 02.10.15-1.”**

11 **MOTION PASSES, 5-0**

12 **December Financial Report**

- 13 • The good news is we have \$116,778 more cash in the bank than last year at this time.  
14 Expenditures were 2% less than budgeted through the 12 months; revenues short 1%.  
15 This report is only the December monthly report and not the official 2014 year-end. That  
16 should be finished in two weeks. Peter Lake and Barb Huff will attend that meeting to  
17 present it.

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19 Motion by Commissioner Stratton:

20 "I move we table the December 2014 Financial Report until the next meeting."

21 MOTION APPROVED, 5-0 TABLED

22 **Chiefs' Reports**

23 *A/C Brown:*

- 24 • Attended a meeting with Bob LeMay from Labor and Industries to understand better how  
25 we can keep our rates down. There is an option called "Kept On Salary," (KOS) which  
26 would allow medical payments for claims but doesn't go against our rates as a time loss.  
27 July – June is L&I's fiscal year, and they carry a three year claims history to determine  
28 rates. So for one short term case we chose to keep the person on salary. Going forward,  
29 we will look at each claim independently to see if a short term KOS is appropriate. Right  
30 now we are playing \$60,000 a year just because of our claims history because every time  
31 loss claim has been submitted.
- 32 • A new Medical Reserve Corp coordinator, Jason Everett, has started meeting with those  
33 members.
- 34 • Chief Brown has also been attending meetings with the Vashon Island School District  
35 and the King County Sheriff's Office training and discussing an "Active Shooter Policy."  
36 At today's meeting, they conducted a table top exercise. It has been very encouraging  
37 working with the Sheriff's office on developing a unified command protocol.
- 38 • This group invited Chief Brown to be on a crisis team and he out an invitation to spend  
39 the whole day in training learning how to help students and families after an incident.  
40 Five people (both career and volunteers) responded back. He will select three to attend  
41 with him.

42 *Chief Lipe:*

- 43 • Tomorrow the community will receive their new permanent burn permits in the mail.  
44 877 burn permits were issued last year and over half were requested in person at the  
45 station.
- 46 • Because of a new BLS Core Services Program, by order Dow Constantine, VIFR will  
47 receive additional funds this year totaling roughly \$7,600. This is to support local  
48 agencies whose resources are stretched, those undergoing changes in county directed  
49 protocols, reduced revenues due to lower property values and increased calls for BLS  
50 services anticipated in 2015.

51 **New Business**

52 SOG 1003 Business Office Hours

53 Chief Lipe explained that due to the limited size of the staff, flexibility in hours was  
54 needed for the business office. The guideline had not been reviewed for ten years.

55 CONSENSUS

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57 **Old Business**

58 ILA concerning Fire District Prorationing Resulting from the PSERN Levy

- 59 • For now, there is no point in signing since the county ran “rough shod” over the  
60 fire commissioners. Some districts have no way to absorb a prorationing hit  
61 because they are maxed out at their \$1.50. There is no advantage for us to sign.  
62 Commissioner Stratton recommended removing it off the agenda. It can be added  
63 at a future date, if needed.

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65 Medic One Proposal Update

- 66 • Director Fogarty advised Chief Lipe that the King County’s Office of Labor  
67 Relations is in the process of obtaining wage and benefit information on our  
68 paramedics, which Chief Lipe is providing to Director Fogarty.

69 Strategic Plan Update

- 70 • Today the opening letter went out to the people on the Strategic Plan Oversight  
71 Team (SPOT). It is an impressive list with the first meeting Monday, February 23  
72 at 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the large classroom. So we’re in Phase Two of the  
73 planning process. An update will go out to the membership. We’ll probably end  
74 up with 12 people who will serve 30-50 hours over the next few months.

75 **General Comments**

76 There is a new replacement light on the flag pole.

77 **For the Good of the Order**

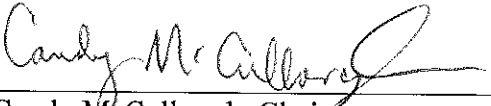
78 None.

79 **Documents Signed**

80 The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

81 *The next Regular Meeting will be on 02/24/15 at 6:30 p.m. at 10020 SW Bank Rd, Vashon, EOC Room*

Approved this 24 day of Feb., 2015.

  
Candy McCullough, Chair

  
Susan Wolf, Minute Taker