



# KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.16

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## MINUTES

January 22, 2020

### **SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS at Northshore Fire Department's Headquarters Station 51**

#### **I. OPENING OF MEETING**

##### **1.1 Roll Call**

Chair Dave Maehren called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Persons in attendance were Commissioners Rick Verlinda, Josh Pratt, Don Ellis, Rick Webster, and Dave Maehren. Also present were Acting Fire Chief Eric Magnuson, Finance Specialist Dawn Killion, Chief Matt Cowan and Commissioner Kim Fischer from Shoreline, Chief Greg Ahern, Commissioners Derek Van Veen and Roger Collins from Woodinville, Lieutenant Anders Hansson, Lieutenant Tim Tyler, Training Captain John Burrow, Firefighter Gunnar Seefeld, Firefighter Robert Carrasquillo, Firefighter Nick Lewis, Firefighter Joel Stephens, Firefighter Jacob Gillis and 23 members of the public. Absent was Board Secretary Kate Hansen.

#### **II. BOARD DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

##### **2.1 Administrative Consolidation Options**

- Audience members made a request for public comment to the board chair. Commissioner Maehren put the request out to other commissioners to agree to allow. Commissioner Webster noted that comments should be brief and concise for time reasons
- Anders Hansson – Northshore Fire Department Union President made public comment about support for Shoreline proposal
- David Weed – Woodinville Fire and Rescue Union made public comment about full consolidation including Woodinville Fire, Shoreline Fire and Northshore Fire
- Gabe DeBay – Shoreline Union made public comment about support for three-way merger including Woodinville Fire but merging Shoreline Fire Department and Northshore Fire Department by December
- Mike Dee made public comment
- Commissioner Maehren asked Woodinville to talk about their proposal
- Chief Ahern outlined his thoughts on their proposal for consolidation
- Commissioner Collins made additional comments about the ILA for Chief Services being a first step for consolidation and there are others that can happen and be discussed later

- Commissioner Verlinda asked for a more detailed document for timeline for consolidation from Woodinville so they can have a clear comparison between Shoreline Fire Department and Woodinville Fire
- Commissioner Webster indicated that we have an immediate need to help Acting Chief Magnuson. He also indicated that he likes the out clause for Woodinville Fire, which is 30 days versus Shoreline Fire that is 120 days. Commissioner Webster stated they should get the ILA locked down to take care of immediate need and then still consider all consolidation options
- Commissioner Pratt indicates his preference for Shoreline Fire Department consolidation and made comments
- Commissioner Ellis had no comments
- Commissioner Maehren felt Shoreline Fire Department proposal was a merger proposal rather than an ILA for chief services and administrative merger
- Chief Cowan made comments regarding their proposal

***Commissioner Pratt moved to approve the proposal for Shoreline Fire Department. Commissioner Verlinda Seconded. The motion failed 2-3 with Commissioners Maehren, Webster and Ellis opposing.***

***Commissioner Webster moved to approve the proposal for Woodinville Fire. Commissioner Ellis Seconded. The motion passed 3-1 with Commissioner Pratt opposing. Commissioner Verlinda abstained.***

- Commissioner Verlinda stated that Shoreline Fire Department be invited to still discuss a merger.
- Maehren asked about inviting Woodinville to next meeting to begin integration process

### **III. UPCOMING BOARD AGENDAS**

#### **3.1 Setting of Future Meeting Agenda**

- Item was added to the agenda

### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:03PM

### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next regularly scheduled Commissioners meeting is for February 5, 2020


**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



**RICK VERLINDA, Member**



**JOSH PRATT, Member**



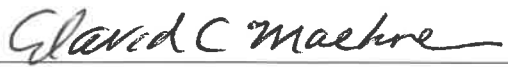
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**DON ELLIS**, Member



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**RICK WEBSTER**, Member



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**DAVID MAEHREN**, Member

**ATTEST**



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**DAWN KILLION**, Finance Specialist

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Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners on February 5, 2020