

**Board of Fire Commissioners  
Spokane County Fire Protection District 10  
929 South Garfield Road  
Airway Heights WA 99004  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

July 10, 2019

5:00pm

Chairman Mericle called the meeting to order at 5:00pm

**Present**

Commissioners Scott Mericle; Jim McKelvey and Ken Pegg; Division Chief Debby Dodson and Administrative Director Peggy Callahan. Chief Nick Scharff phoned in.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Agenda was approved as mailed.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from the June 4, June 18, June 20 and June 24, 2019 meetings were approved as mailed.

**Correspondence** – Commissioners were given information about the upcoming server upgrade. Our current servers will no longer be supported. Discussion followed.

**Financial Report**

AP Warrants 13010 – 13031 totaling \$45,097.45 were approved. AP EFT/ACH totaling \$655,215.35 was approved. Payroll Warrants 808049– 808054 totaling \$19,609.435 were approved. PR DD/EFT/ACH totaling \$120,676.79 were approved. May 2019 bank reconciliation and 2ndQ financials were reviewed. AP Warrants 12999-13009 were voided.

**Chiefs Report**

- July 4<sup>th</sup> was busy day for the on-duty crews. A little of everything including motor vehicle accidents, medical calls and fire calls. No fireworks related incidents on July 4 in the district.
- SCFD10 has had a couple suspicious fire starts recently in the area of Government Way/Trails Rd. DNR and District have a heightened awareness.
- SHIP Grant: nothing new to report.
- Riverside State Park Contract update: SCFD10 legal counsel Brian Snure has replied back to state attorney general with rebuttal from states previous stance.
- Fire Dispatching update:
  - Spokane City council passed a resolution late last month stating they would NOT be joining the SRECs dispatch center at this time.

- CCC policy board (with SCFD10 representation on board) passed a resolution July 2<sup>nd</sup> finding the City of Spokane in breach of the inter-local agreement for fire dispatching services that expires in Dec 2021.

The agreement states that Spokane must maintain a minimum 3 dispatchers 24/7/365 to handle emergency calls in the center. As of July 8 it is reported that the City of Spokane has a total of 3 dispatch personnel (employees) to carry work load. Others have been laid off by Spokane, resigned, taken other jobs, or in some cases retired.

SRECs dispatch personnel have picked up the extra workload on an interim basis until other means are procured. As just one user agency, we have not noticed any detrimental effect of this clunky transition when responding to calls for service since the July 1 transitional date.

- CCC policy board is working with legal counsel for how to best dissolve CCC and the reserve fund acquired over the last 20 plus years.
- SRECS Combined dispatch. As of July 9, SCFD10 has submitted the signed the SLA (Service Level Agreement) to SRECS for fire dispatch services.
- Engine 10-1 back in service after the backing mishap reported last month, should see \$500 Deductible from insurance company.
- Summer crew busy with projects. Picked up another (3<sup>rd</sup>) district member for summer crew this week.
- Chief Johnson has passed prerequisites of conditional offer for SCFD10 employment. Should be starting about July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Old Business**

1. Review and discuss follow up from roundtable discussion – Lt Risley briefed the board on prevention activities including a successful open house that was held on June 8 at Station 10-4, Johanna Beverage installing a new cooler building, Graham Road Landfill update and new hotel being built on Geiger Road.

### **New Business**

1. Annual Retire/Rehire Certification – AD Callahan presented the retire/rehire certification for Captain Ron Wood. Commission McKelvey made a motion to approve the certification; seconded by Commissioner Pegg. Motion carried.
2. Deep Creek Ranchettes Water Association MOU – AD Callahan presented an MOU between SCFD10 and Deep Creek which allows district 10 to access water from the Deep Creek Ranchettes Water Association in case of an emergency when all other resources have been depleted. Commissioner Pegg made a motion to approve the MOU as presented; seconded by Commissioner McKelvey. Motion carried.

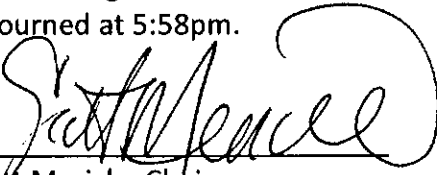
3. City of Spokane Interlocal Agreement – Chief Scharff presented an Inter-Local Agreement between SCFD10 and the City of Spokane Parks department to extend an existing agreement for SCFD10 to provide service to Palisades Park and Indian Canyon Conservation Area. SCFD10 will be paid \$1000/year for the next five (5) years. Commissioner McKelvey made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement as presented; seconded by Commissioner Pegg. Motion carried.

**Public Comment** – Commissioner Mericle opened the meeting up to public comment.

**Adjournment**

The next regular meeting will be August 6 at 5pm at Station 10-1.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 5:58pm.



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Scott Mericle, Chairman  
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