

KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #2
Ellensburg, Washington

Minutes of: Commissioners' Board Meeting, Special Session
Meeting date: March 2, 2022
Meeting time: 1800 hours
Meeting place: 400 E. Mountain View, Station 29

The special meeting was publicized according to the requirements of Chapter 188, Laws of 2012. Each Board member was sent a written notice via e-mail; the Daily Record was notified via an e-mail, a notice was posted on KVFR's website and the notice of special meeting was posted in the front window at 400 E. Mountain View all on February 23, 2022.

Commissioners in Attendance: Pat Clerf, Neal Houser, Ross Ogan and Neil O'Neill.
Commissioner Jerry Pettit had an excused absence.

Others in Attendance: Chief John Sinclair, Fire District 7 Commissioners: Bill Dickinson, Bob Cernick and Justin Zipperer, District 7 Secretary Eryn Micallef, ASM Sydney McBride, firefighters and numerous members of the public.

1. Call to Order: Commissioner Clerf called the meeting to order at 1800 hours and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Houser made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner O'Neill seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

3. Discussion on regionalization efforts between Kittitas County Fire District 2 and Kittitas County Fire District 7:

Commissioner Clerf shared that KCFD2 would have the funding to pay for a study without having to make major cuts to other projects. Chief Sinclair shared that KCFD7 also has the resources to fund the study. The I-90 life support group is not able to fund the project currently.

Chief Sinclair received proposals from two consultant groups to perform a study on merging benefits between KCFD2 and KCFD7. Chief shared the following:

- ESCI- Emergency Services Consulting International based out of Oregon. They have 45 years of experience with these projects. They quoted \$64,653 to do the study. This group has a very good program and they have done lots of work in the State of Washington.
- Public Consultant Group is an east coast-based company. KCFD2 uses them for GEMT work, currently. They do not have as much experience as ESCI in these types of studies.

Chief Sinclair recommends ESCI over Public Consultant Group based on their proven product observed in other agencies studies. Commissioner Zipperer has experience with ESCI and recommends ESCI over Public Consultant Group based on the quality of their studies. ESCI would be able to get the study completed by June, ahead of when Public Consultant Group would be able to.

Commissioner O'Neill a motion to select ESCI as the consultant group. Commissioner Houser seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The Board voted unanimously to use ESCI as the consultant group for studying consolidation efforts between KCFD2 and KCFD7.

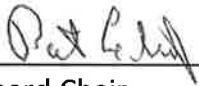
Discussion occurred about the next joint meeting to take place in April. Both boards decided to pick the next joint meeting date during their individual March commissioner meetings.

4. Public Comment

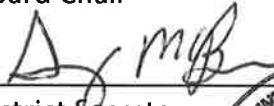
None.

5. Adjournment

Commissioner O'Neill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Houser seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1824 hours.



Board Chair



District Secretary

