

**GRAHAM FIRE & RESCUE  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 8, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Pierson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance:**

Present: Commissioner Verne M. Pierson, Commissioner Gerald W. Gustafson, Commissioner Robert E. Skaggs, Fire Chief Reggie Romines, Assistant Chief Tony Judd, Assistant Chief Ryan Baskett, Assistant Chief Oscar Espinosa, District Secretary Kathy Hale and Public Prevention Education Officer Myra Merdian-Drake.

Absent: Deputy Chief Franz had an excused absence.

Commissioner Pierson led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed the audience.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

**The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 24, 2007, were approved as presented.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Thank you letter from Volunteer Fire Fighter LeAnne Matz.
- Thank you letter from a Citizen.
- Remittance Advice from the State of Washington for December 2007 Storm Assistance.
- E-mail from Leslie Morey, Kapowsin Elementary, thanking Assistant Chief Judd for assisting them in evaluating their earthquake safety plan.
- Copy of letter from Lipoma Fire Homeowners' Association to Pierce County Planning and Land Services regarding opposing the planned access road.
- Letter from Kip Krattli resigning from the Resident Program to become a Come-From-Home Responder.

**FINANCIALS:**

Vouchers #10001 through #10061 in the amount of \$171,666.83 were presented for approval.

**Commissioner Skaggs moved to accept the payables in the amount of \$171,666.83 after proper auditing. Commissioner Gustafson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:**

**Chief's Report**

Chief Romines reported that Deputy Chief Franz is on vacation until October 12, 2007. Also, Assistant Chief Baskett will be on vacation beginning October 10, 2007, until

November 6, 2007. Congratulations to Commissioner Gustafson who has completed the NIMS Training.

Station No. 21-0. Assistant Chief Baskett presented a report from Robinson, Noble, Saltbush outlining the progress made thus far on the soils remediation at Station No. 21-0. Assistant Chief Baskett stated that originally the estimate for digging depth was approximately 12 feet, but the contractor has had to go down 20 to 25 feet to find clean soil. The only area left to be dug up is to the north side.

Assistant Chief Baskett reported the job should be completed by the first week of November, with the final report going to the County by the middle of November. Well monitoring will most likely be needed for four quarters.

Station No. 21-4. Chief Romines reported that the District has received the "Final" close-out from Pierce County on the station. Thank you Assistant Chief Baskett for all your hard work getting the building built and approved by the County.

Regional HazMat Policy Board Meeting. Chief Romines asked the Board to identify a Board member to represent the District on the Regional HazMat Policy Board. The first meeting will be October 15, 2007, at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Pierson responded that he would be happy to be that representative.

**PPEO Report**

Public Prevention Education Officer Myra Merdian-Drake presented her report to the Board for their review. She reminded all that this was Fire Prevention week and to practice your home fire escape plan. She also reminded the Board that she will be on vacation beginning October 10, 2007, and returning October 29, 2007.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Romines presented the Board with an Incident Summary report for the month of September. The Board asked if a report showing the number of mutual aid calls involving the District could be produced? Assistant Chief Judd answered that he would look into it.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.**

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Verne M. Pierson, Commissioner

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Kathy J. Hale, District Secretary