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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
Sherman Colson, Chairman  
Thomas Johnston  
Peter Lucarelli  
Bridget Weaver, Secretary

Bob Oliver, Fire Chief

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**KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
November 23, 2009**

**1. Call to Order-Regular Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at Station 11, located at 8450 161<sup>st</sup> Avenue N.E., Redmond, Washington on November 23, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Chairman Sherman Colson.

**2. Roll Call**

Present: Chairman Sherman Colson, Commissioner Thomas Johnston, Commissioner Peter Lucarelli

Others Attending:

Bob Oliver, Acting Fire Chief  
Russell Albertson, Lieutenant  
Kinnon Williams, Attorney

Tom Norton, Acting Deputy Chief  
Todd Short, Assistant Fire Marshall  
Bridget Weaver, District Secretary

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Kinnon Williams added item C, "City of Redmond and KCFD34 Contract Discussion", to Reports of Attorney. Commissioner Johnston added item H, "Approve 2010 Budget", to Action Items.

**Motion made from Commissioner Lucarelli to approve the amended agenda of November 23, 2009. Motion seconded by Commissioner Johnston. Motion passed unanimously.**

**4. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion from Chairman Lucarelli to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 26, 2009. Chairman Colson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

**5. Public Comments – None**

**6. Reports of Chief**

A. Single Family Residence Fire Sprinklers Report-Todd Short

The majority of fire deaths occur in residential occupancies. Twice as many fires occur in residential occupancies than in commercial occupancies. In January 2007 the Redmond City Council passed Ordinance No. 2324 requiring fire sprinklers in all newly constructed residential occupancies. The City is hoping that the State Building Code Council will eventually adopt a building code that requires all residential dwellings to have fire sprinkler systems. Residential fire sprinklers reduce staffing needs.

The cost to install a fire sprinkler into a residential home is approximately 1% of the home's value. New options are becoming available to integrate sprinklers into existing plumbing lines to help reduce installation costs.

Commissioner Lucarelli voiced support for the Ordinance and the adoption of a building code requiring fire sprinklers in all residential occupancies. Commissioner Johnston expressed his qualified support for the measure. Commissioner Johnston opposes the mandate for

residential sprinklers for remodel and reconstruction work, but supports their mandatory use for certain high-density, multi-family projects.

B. Status of MDC's

Deputy Chief Norton reported that in an effort to move the MDC project forward, the new Battalion Chief will take up this responsibility. Lieutenant Albertson reported that the response time data methodology is being reevaluated.

Commissioner Lucarelli suggested that an administrative policy be implemented to ensure that MDC's will be utilized all the time.

7. Reports of Attorney

A. Property Tax Levies, Property Tax Increase, Limit Factor Increase

The limit factor for the regular levy for 2010 shall be the maximum amount allowed. The 2010 property tax levy amount is 1.36% (-\$-94,711) less than the previous year. The assessed valuation of real properties for 2009 and 2010 is \$4,662,295.587; the requested levy for 2010 for KCFD34 is \$6,993,443.

B. Station 15 Sale Update

The underground storage tank has been removed; no soil contamination was found. The potential buyers may need an extension to the 90 day timeline outlined in the purchase and sale agreement.

C. City of Redmond and KCFD34 Contract Update

The contract is still in the negotiation phase. The Commissioners and Attorney Williams reviewed the contract.

Attorney Williams will make changes as discussed and continue to work with Jane Christenson, Assistant to the Mayor, on the attachments.

8. Reports of Commissioners

A. 2009 Objectives and Action Plan Status Report

The status report was reviewed and updated.

B. Meal Reimbursement Discussion

Chairman Colson provided the Washington State policy on meals with meetings. Secretary Weaver will provide additional information for discussion at the next meeting.

9. Action Items

A. Resolution No. 248/09 Limit Factor Increase Resolution

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve Resolution No. 248/09 Limit Factor Increase. Motion seconded by Commissioner Johnston. Motion passed unanimously.**

B. Resolution No. 249/09 2010 Property Tax Adjustment

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve Resolution No. 249/09 2010 Property Tax Adjustment Resolution. Motion seconded by Commissioner Johnston. Motion passed unanimously.**

C. Resolution No. 250/09 Property Tax Levies

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve Resolution No. 250/09 Property Tax Levies. Motion seconded by Commissioner Johnston. Motion passed unanimously.**

D. Approve Deccan Attendance for Commissioners and District Secretary

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve funds for attendance of Commissioners and District Secretary for the 2010 Deccan Users Conference.**

E. Approve City of Redmond Invoice

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve the November, 2009 City of Redmond invoice, subject to review, and not to exceed \$3,033,103. Motion seconded by Chairman Colson. Motion passed unanimously.**

F. Approve District Salary Increase

**Motion made by Commissioner Johnston to approve a 5% merit raise increase and regular employee appointment for District Secretary Weaver. Motion seconded by Chairman Colson. Motion passed unanimously.**

G. Approve 2010 Medical Plan Benefit

**Motion made by Commissioner Johnston to approve the Washington Fire Commissioner's Association PPO Plus Medical Plan and WDS Traditional Dental Plan for 2010. Motion seconded by Chairman Colson. Motion passed unanimously.**

H. Approve 2010 Budget

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve the 2010 budget as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Johnston. Motion passed unanimously.**

**10. Reports of District Secretary**

A. Holiday Schedule

Secretary Weaver will be on vacation December 21, 22 and 23; offices are closed December 24 and 25.

B. Monthly Budget Report

The Commissioners reviewed the monthly budget report.

C. Approval of October Monthly Vouchers

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080 and those expense reimbursement claims required by RCW 42.24.090 have been recorded on a list that has been made available to the Board. As of November 23, 2009, the Board by a unanimous vote does approve for payment those vouchers included in the aforementioned lists or lists and further described as follows:

Expense Fund Vouchers #8981-8987 and #8990 for a total of \$5,498.88.

Capital Reserve Expenditure Vouchers #8988-8989 for a total of \$440.09

D. Legal Usage: 17.50 hours for October, 2009

E. October King County Investment Pool Performance 1.39%

**11. New Items**

A. Change Meeting Date

**Motion made by Commissioner Lucarelli to change the next regular meeting date from December 28, 2009 to December 17, 2009.**

**12. Adjournment**

Chairman Colson adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

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Peter Lucarelli, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Bridget Weaver, District Secretary  
Board of Commissioners  
King County Fire Protection District 34