

**Fire Commissioner Special Meeting
San Juan Fire Protection District 2
Orcas Island Fire & Rescue
February 22, 2016**

This is a Special Meeting. The Secretary informed the Commission that the notice requirements of RCW 42.30.080 have been met by email transmission of a notice of this meeting to *The Islands' Sounder* and *Orcas Issues* and the posting of such notice in the lobby of Station 21 and the District's website. Such notice was transmitted and posted on February 19, 2016 at Eastsound Fire Hall, 45 Lavender Lane, Eastsound, WA 98245, and specified the time and place of this special meeting and the business to be transacted. Each Commissioner has either received or waived notice pursuant to such statute.

Present: Commissioners Barbara Bedell, Chair, Jim Coffin, and Wes Heinmiller, Chief Miklos Preysz, District Secretary Patricia Ayers, Orcas Island Fire and Rescue staff, and members of the Community.

Meeting Called to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

Changes to Agenda

OLD BUSINESS

1. Financials – Deferred until next the regular meeting in March due lack of information from the County.
2. Chief's Report – Chief Preysz reported on the following topics:
 - a. Fire Marshal Program – RJ Myers is doing a phenomenal job on the topics at hand even though he is only paid at \$25/hour. Other than the town of Friday Harbor, Orcas is the largest area that the fire marshal needs to cover.
 - b. Outer Island Response – there are five OIFR members who are taking the Captain's Course to accompany the Marine Response Action Team (MRATs). Chief is discussing with Councilman Hughes to put together a solution / interisland agreement so that MRATs can respond to the outer islands.
 - c. Union Contract – is close to being ready to be presented to the BOFC. It is anticipated that it will be presented in an executive session at the regular meeting in March.
 - d. Director of Administrative Services – position has been narrowed to four applicants. These applicants will be scheduled for a Chief's interview next week. Chief will have make the final decision as to who is hired for this position, and hopes to be able to notify all applicants by March 1st or 2nd.
 - e. Sheriff's Contract – will be presented at the next regular meeting. There are still difficulties implementing the ESO system through Dispatch; therefore, it is anticipated that it will go live on April 1, 2016.
 - f. Healthcare Work Group – Dr. Art Lange is leading this group of hand-selected committee members to discuss the medical needs and wants of the community.

Commissioner Coffin requested that Chief update the BOFC on the status of the SAFER Grant at the next Regular BOFC meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Executive Session