

Snohomish County Chiefs' Association Board Meeting 1:00 p.m. November 30th, 2022

PRESENT:

Dave Kraski Vice-President North County Fire

Jim Haverfield Secretary/Treasurer Snohomish County FPD 17

Keith Strotz Medium Zone Representative Snohomish County FPD 19

Travis Hots Immediate Past President SCFD 22

Eric Andrews Sky Valley Fire Shaughn Maxwell South County Fire

Jeremy Stocker SCFD 22

Susan Bjorling South County Fire

A. <u>Call to Order</u> Meeting called to order at 1301 hours.

B. Adopt/Adjust Agenda No adjustments to the agenda

C. Minutes

Action: A motion was made by Chief Haverfield to approve the minutes. Chief Hots seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

D. Old Business

1. Nominations

Nominations for the roles of Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer are still being accepted and will be accepted through the start of the General Membership meeting on December 5th. As of November 30th, no nominations have been received. Chief Kraski nominated Chief Haverfield for the position of Treasurer. Chief Haverfield accepted the nomination. Chief Haverfield nominated Chief Kraski for the position of Vice President and he accepted that nomination.

2. Dr. Cooper's (current MPD) status

Chiefs Hovis and Chief Kraski met with Dr. Cooper via Zoom on November 30th. They shared with the Executive Board that Dr. Cooper feels his role as the MPD with Snohomish County has come to its end. He will be submitting his letter of resignation to the DOH. The DOH will accept recommendations but will ultimately appoint the person they feel is appropriate. The process should take approximately 60-90 days. Dr. Cooper was invited to attend the Board meeting, but he was committed to a work shift.

3. Wall Wait Times

Shaughn Maxwell and Jeremy Stocker joined the Executive Board meeting to discuss forming a workgroup to address wall wait times within Snohomish County. The Chiefs would like to have AC Stocker and DC Maxwell chair the committee. Chief Maxwell shared that he

and DC Eastman have been meeting with Providence every few weeks to address this issue. He shared with the group that, unfortunately, this issue of long wall wait times is impacting communities across the world. It may be wise to temper expectations. However, the group also agreed that everything possible must be done to try to improve wait times. Involving the media and/or engaging with state legislators may need to be considered as next steps. This issue will be addressed with the general membership at the December 5th meeting.

E. <u>New Business</u>

1. SCEMS Update

Outgoing MPD Eric Cooper has stated that he has not felt supported by SCEMS or their Board for the last several months.

The group reached a consensus that SCEMS will need to be overhauled/restructured in 2023.

Chief Andrews questioned whether assessments would need to be adjusted. The determining factor would be whether SD4 would be contributing to SCEMS for 2023. Chief Hovis shared that, per Chief Waller, SD4 will not be a part of SCEMS in the coming new year. Assessments will need to be readjusted. Chief Kraski will confirm with Roger Vares.

F. <u>Committee Updates</u>

None

G. Announcements/Good of the Order

- Shaughn Maxwell will be promoted to Assistant Chief with South County Fire.
- South County will begin providing service to Mill Creek on December 13th, 2022.
- SCF is transitioning to a hybrid tiered deployment model effective in January 2023.

H. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1342 hours. The motion was made by Chief Kraski and was seconded by Chief Haverfield.

Minutes prepared and submitted by: Susan Bjorling

Executive Assistant, Office of the Fire Chief

South County Fire

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 28, 2022

1:00 pm

Attachments: