

1 **EASTSIDE FIRE & RESCUE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
2 **REGULAR MEETING**
3 **September 10, 2020**
4 **VIRTUAL MEETING**
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6 Alternate Meeting Format: On March 24, 2020, the Governor issued Proclamation 20-28
7 prohibiting open public meetings from occurring in person. Due to these factors, the regular
8 meeting of the Board of Directors of Eastside Fire & Rescue was held virtually on September
9 10, 2020, using a remote meeting platform.

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11 **PRESENT:** Chair Alan Gothelf (City of North Bend)
12 Vice Chair Chris Reh (City of Issaquah)
13 Board Director Stacy Goodman (City of Issaquah)
14 Board Director Alan Martin (Fire District 10)
15 Board Director Gloria Hatcher-Mays (Fire District 10) *(late arrival)*
16 Board Director Karen Moran (City of Sammamish)
17 Board Director Chris Ross (City of Sammamish)
18 Board Director Matt Talbot (Fire District 38)
19 Board Secretary Jamie Formisano
20 Fire Chief Jeff Clark
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22 **ABSENT:** None
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24 **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Gothelf called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and took roll call.
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26 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
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28 *Arrival of Director Hatcher-Mays*
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30 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

31 IT WAS MOVED BY DIRECTOR REH, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR TALBOT TO: Approve
32 the Consent Agenda. MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

- 33 1. Agenda Bill 2020-21 (Approval of Board Minutes and Financial Recap)
34 2. Agenda Bill 2020-22 (Write-Off Request)
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36 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

37 Finance and Administrative Committee (FAC): *(no meeting held)*
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39 **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING:**

- 40 • PFAS: Board Director Alan Martin will be representing District 10 on the PFAS Executive
41 Committee. The State approached us to spend additional funds and a scope of work was
42 submitted for review. The State submitted a \$700k funding request for the next two years.
43 If the funds are approved, the consultant will attend a future Board meeting to discuss
44 options.
45 • COVID-19: Responded on 16 calls this past weekend. Two employees are currently
46 quarantined. Discussion ensued regarding protocols.
47 • Political Endorsement Correction: Representatives Ramos and Mullet created marketing
48 stating EF&R's endorsement, which is not permitted. The intent was to utilize the
49 Eastside Firefighters Local 2878 logo and apologies were received on behalf of the
50 campaign.

- 51 • Temp Station 71: Property testing was completed and unfortunately was ruled out.
52 Collaborative discussions with the City to explore options will continue. The response
53 model will not change until a temporary station is finalized. Discussion ensued regarding
54 alternative locations.
- 55 • King County Fire Commissioners (KCFC) Requests: Discussed the KCFC request
56 regarding the Fireworks Ban and CARES Funding. The letters will be included in the
57 meeting minutes. It is encouraged to ban fireworks within the communities we serve.
58 Discussion ensued regarding CARES funding. EF&R has been working with City staff to
59 justify fire service expenses and associated reimbursements.
- 60 • Wildland: EF&R has deployed numerous crew members and resources to Oregon,
61 California, and Eastern WA. We are currently holding crews to stay local, other than one
62 apparatus that is aligned with a State contract that if called, will be dispatched. Briefed
63 on a house fire in Sammamish. Discussed public education and messaging. Wildfire
64 Preparedness information can be [found on the website](#).
- 65 • HQ Temporary schedule: Due to the remote schedule, we have gone to a 4x10 schedule
66 until we reach Phase 4 with the State. This will be reevaluated as needed.
- 67 • Recruitment: Four members submitted their retirement notice and we will be moving
68 forward with a hiring process. The Entry Level recruitment can be found [on the website](#).
- 69 • Station 82: The City of Sammamish is moving forward with potentially replacing the
70 station through a grant request. Discussed levels of remodel vs. rebuild.

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72 **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- 73 1. Update: Non-Profit Formation: EF&R staff have been working with City staff to answer
74 questions and provide overviews. Discussed public comment at a Sammamish City
75 Council meeting and clarified the history of previous Board conversations. EF&R staff
76 will have Legal review the feedback provided by partners and bring an Agenda Bill to
77 the October meeting for approval consideration.

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79 **GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE DISCUSSION:**

- 80 1. Revenue and Expense Report: Included in packet.
81 2. Incidents Activity Report: Included in packet.

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83 **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

- 84 • Past Board Director, Councilmember Keller, moved out of the community.
85 • Thank you for your support of [Project Ignite](#)! It has been successful and continued
86 marketing of the program is encouraged.

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88 **CALENDAR REVIEW:**

- 89 • FAC – September 23, 2020, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. (*Virtual Meeting*)
90 • EF&R Agenda Review – September 23, 2020, 4:00 p.m. (D10) (*Virtual Meeting*)
91 • EF&R Board Meeting – October 8, 2020 4:00 p.m. (*Virtual Meeting*)

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93 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** In accordance with the RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) to discuss Collective
94 Bargaining planning and RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review performance of a public employee.
95 The Executive session is estimated to last for 20 minutes beginning at 4:47 p.m. The
96 Executive session was extended five minutes. The Executive session extended five
97 minutes. The regular session was called to order at 5:12 p.m., no action was taken during
98 Executive session.

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100 **ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Gothelf adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

101 **SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS: VIRTUALLY APPROVED BY BOARD DIRECTORS ON**
102 **OCTOBER 8, 2020. (Vote: 8-0)**