



**JEFFERSON COUNTY  
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1  
(EAST JEFFERSON FIRE RESCUE)**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 13, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. Virtual “GoToMeeting” held on-line: call in number (408) 650-3123, Access code or ID 835-227-013.

**COMMISSIONERS & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

**District 1 Commissioners:** David Johnson, David Seabrook, Geoffrey Masci, George Randels and Deborah Stinson

**Absent:**

**Admin Staff:** Interim Chief Smith, HR Manager Stewart and District Secretary Ysseldyke-All

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Chief Search**

Chairman Johnson talked about the small group meetings last week with the two external candidates that were brought to Port Townsend. He also stated that the search committee met last Friday to formulate a recommendation for the Board today.

Commissioner Masci asked if internal candidates were still being considered. He felt the prior motion to move forward to the external candidates with no more consideration for internal candidates was vague. The other three Commissioners that were involved in the original motion were clear in their minds that the internal candidates were not to be considered further and the process had moved on to the external candidates. A new motion was put forward to clarify the intention of the Board.

**MOTION: Chairman Johnson** made a motion to not consider the internal candidates and to move on in the chief search process to the external candidates. **Commissioner Seabrook** seconded the motion. Motion carried with an abstention from Commissioner Stinson and a no from Commissioner Masci.

**B. Public Comment - none**

**Executive Session**

Chairman Johnson announced the Board will go into executive session for 30 minutes at 3:15 p.m. for an **Executive Session** in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(g): *To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of public safety personnel.* Interim Chief Smith and District Secretary Ysseldyke-All attended. Chairman Johnson reconvened the board meeting at 3:45.

*Informational only, no action taken.*

**MOTION: Commissioner Seabrook** made a motion to extend a conditional job offer to Chief Black pending background checks, review of references and contract negotiations. **Commissioner Masci** seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The background and reference check process was discussed as well as some contract negotiation points.

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Chairman Johnson asked if there was any public comments and in hearing none ended the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: Chairman Johnson** made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:51 PM. **Commissioner Randels** seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Jefferson County Fire District 1**

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David Johnson, Chairman

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David Seabrook, Vice Chairman

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Deborah Stinson, Commissioner

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Geoffrey Masci, Commissioner

**ATTEST:**

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George Randels, Commissioner

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Teresa Ysseldyke-All, District Secretary