

6ZONE 1 FIRE CHIEFS MEETING

9:00 a.m.

May 8, 2017

Attendees:

Jim Torpin, Fire Chief - Northshore (Chair)
Bob Van Horne, Fire Chief - Bothell
Mark Risen, Fire Chief - Bellevue
David Burke, Fire Chief - Duvall
Jeff Clark, Fire Chief - Eastside
Richard Burke, Deputy Chief - Eastside

Tommy Smith, Fire Chief - Redmond
Greg Ahearn, Fire Chief - Woodinville
Helen Chatalas, Assistant Director - KCEMS
Mike Mandella, Deputy Director - NORCOM
Ron Tiedeman, IT Director - NORCOM

The meeting convened at 9:03 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - REVIEW/COMMENTS

Meeting minutes for April 10, 2017, were approved as submitted.

AGENDA REVIEW

No items added.

REPORTS

NORCOM - Mike Mandella

- Introduced Ron Tiedeman, new IT Director. Ron gave a brief introduction of his background and experience.
- During the recent thunderstorm, it was initially reported all radios had gone down. Actual issue was EPSCA taking four channels offline for testing as well as five additional channels down due to lightning strikes. EPSCA put the four test channels back in service to alleviate the issue. Further investigation pending.
- Had opportunity to review coverage maps; it does not appear that in-building coverage will be satisfactory. EPSCA is holding an Executive Board meeting Thursday at 10:00 at Redmond City Hall; expect to discuss construction of new towers. EPSCA Operations Board has not reviewed maps or provided input. Suggest asking representative to provide briefing at next King County Chiefs meeting.

King County EMS - Helen Chatalas

- Erik Friedrichsen has been selected to fill the vacancy left by Linda Culley.
- CMT meeting to be held this Wednesday (BLS Working Group).
- Levy summit to be held end of this month in Renton.

REPORTS (cont'd)

Zone 1 Ops - Deputy Chief Burke

- Zone 1 Task Force/Strike Team will participate in the SeaTac Airport MCO drill on July 12.
 - 100 patients
 - North runway
 - Opportunity for elected officials to observe; please forward names to Zone 1 Ops representative.
- Zone 1 Ops retreat to be held at Snoqualmie Casino, date TBD.
- Eastside Fire holding Fireground 2017 May 20 at the Bellevue Fire Training Center.
- Discussions held with Bellevue, Mercer Island and Eastside regarding Paramedic opportunities.
- Zone 1 is reviewing Seattle Fire natural gas response plans based on size of line fracture/type of structure.
- Zone 1 is participating in Seattle Fire MCO highrise drills.
- Eastside and Mercer Island conducting a 30 day trial of First Due, pre-fire management software.

OLD BUSINESS

Zone 1 Fire Chiefs Retreat Agenda Topics - All

Chief Torpin reviewed the topics received to date; asked for input on additional items. Agenda items are to be forwarded to Dawn DeLoach. The Zone 1 Fire Chiefs retreat will be held Friday, June 16.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ROUNDTABLE

Northshore

- Thanked Chief Van Horne for his years of service to Zone 1 Chiefs.

Bothell

- Retirement celebration is Monday, May 15 from 1:30 - 3:00 at Station 42.
- Jim Roepke named interim chief. City Manager expected to make final decision by end of July.

NORCOM

- 28 of 52 locution installations have been completed.
- City Hall/Transit project timelines are being formed. Measuring impact on services at NORCOM.

Eastside (Burke)

- Asked if defining in-building coverage should be worked on by Zone 1 Ops. Mandella stated it could be beneficial but nothing will be known until testing is conducted; testing plan has not been finalized.

KCEMS

- Week of May 22 is National EMS Week. KCEMS would like to create a blog to help explain EMS to the public; will reach out to agencies for input.

Woodinville

- Provided update on discussion regarding wildland reimbursement agreements.

Eastside (Clark)

- Eastside has been working with Board on 5 year agreement extension to move to 10 year renewal; expect approval at next meeting. Following approval, current agreement will expire 2026.

Bellevue

- Formed workgroup with Eastside and Mercer Island to discuss integration of paramedic personnel between agencies.

Duvall

- Thanked all for reaching out and continued support while dealing with family issues.

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn DeLoach
Redmond Fire