

Newman Lake Fire and Rescue  
AKA: Spokane County Fire District No. 13  
Board of Commissioner Special Meeting  
April 27, 2020

The meeting was held at NLFR Fire Station No. 1, N 9324 Starr Road, Newman Lake, Washington on April 27, 2020 at 1 PM. Chairman Small called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM.

ROLL CALL

In attendance, following strict social distancing guidelines, were Chairman Kathleen Small, and Commissioners Eileen Weyrauch and Teresa Phelps and NLFR Fire Chief Stan Cooke.

The Board was given copies of the five applications received for the Finance/Secretary position. Commissioner Weyrauch stated that Kelli Lemley had texted her that she was withdrawing her application as she was working with Chief Cooke on various opportunities and so would not be available for the Finance/Secretary position.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:15 PM Chairman Small stated that the Board would be going into a 60-minute executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. The Board reconvened at 2:15 PM.


The Board stated that they and Chief Cooke felt that by adding benefits to the Finance/Secretary position they would attract more applicants. The Board authorized Chief Cooke to add medical insurance and pension to the position and change the hours to Monday thru Friday 10 AM to 4 PM and to advertise as soon as possible with the new applications being due on or before May 14, 2020. Chief Cooke will inform the current applicants of this change.

Chief Cooke explained the Covid-19 restrictions that apply to begin training again. Discussion followed. Commissioner Weyrauch made the motion and Commissioner Phelps seconded that NLFR follow state limitations with our personnel. NLFR will continue to be closed to the public. The motion carried unanimously.

Chief Cooke discussed his plans for a Volunteer Shift Program, Resident Volunteer positions and hours and coverage for same. Chief Cooke stated he is working on costs and will have that information for the Board at the Special Meeting on April 30, 2020.

Chairman Small adjourned the Special Meeting of April 27, 2020 at 3:30 PM.

  
Chairman Kathleen M Small

  
Acting Secretary  
Commissioner Eileen Weyrauch