

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of:) Case No. 1170-E-77-219
)
TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 763,) DECISION ON APPEAL
involving certain employees of)
) Decision No. 395-C PECB
CITY OF ISSAQUAH,)
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Appearances:

John L. Rabine, Secretary-Treasurer, for the Union

John A. Hackett, City Attorney, for the Employer

This matter is before the Commission on appeal from a decision of the Executive Director. The Commission previously ruled on the timeliness of the appeal. See: Decision No. 395-B (PECB, 1978).

The case presents problems inherent in the situation of small municipalities operating through part time elected officials and full time, as well as part time, employees.

The Commission has reviewed the authorities cited by the employer in its brief on appeal. In our opinion the fire lieutenant is not a "confidential employee" within the meaning of the statute. His work with the mayor and his administrative assistant is largely ministerial. Any indicia of supervisory authority possessed by the fire lieutenant are so limited as to call for classification of the fire lieutenant as a leadman. The decision of the Executive Director is affirmed.

DATED this 7th day of September, 1978.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

Mary Ellen Krug
Mary Ellen Krug, Chairman

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Michael H. Beck
Michael H. Beck, Commissioner

Paul A. Roberts
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