

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on January 30, 2019, at Fire Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Emilio Buttice. All Commissioners and Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present. Guests included Debbie Mobley, Brian Jones, (Local 4514 Members) Dean Atkinson, Bill Box, Travis Slater, Brandon Cadwell, Todd Reiswig, Blake Nass, Phil Tonn and Casey Sewell.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Buttice.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 9, 2019 were approved as mailed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Financial Report for December was approved as presented.

The Secretary's Budget Report for December was presented, reviewed and approved.

The Small Works and Vendor List ad will be in the Union Bulletin on February 1st and February 8th.

Chief Eastman reported on the WFCA Legislative Day of January 24th with a hand out as well as a hand out and review of the Legislative Report.

The next Tri-County Fire Commissioners meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2019 at Station 210 in Benton City at 9:00am. Commissioners Hector and Myrick will attend.

CHIEF'S REPORT

This year's Awards Banquet is fast approaching on February 16th. Commissioner Hector will speak on behalf of the Board. Commissioner Myrick will issue years of service pins.

Chief Eastman informed the Board of the Department of Health site inspection on January 10th. Todd went through with the inspector and nothing was out of compliance. We have begun our soft approach to ALS transporting and should be ready for the transition by the end of March. Chief Eastman has scheduled Paramedic coverage for all shifts through February and is asking the Board for approval for a stipend payment for the on call Paramedic of \$25.00 for week nights and \$50.00 for week-ends. After a brief discussion, this will be tabled for now.

Station 41 building foundation footings have been poured and the building material will be delivered on Monday.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chief Eastman opened discussion on the exploration of an RFA. Commissioner Hector attended Station meetings of 41, 42, 44 and the local 4514 members. Most opinions of our volunteer members are the same with not being informed these discussions were taking place until they read it in the local newspaper. A lot of miscommunication has occurred and answers to members questions are not available at this time because the only action so far is the elected officials approving to explore an RFA. Dean also attended the last Station 44 meetings and was asked questions that he has no answers for. The Board and management will work to obtain members ideas, thoughts, and concerns with an RFA and address them.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Eastman handed out a letter from the City of Walla Walla proposing an annexation for three parcels located south of Wallowa Drive.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None

At 4:55 pm the Board went to Executive Session to discuss the performance of a public employee. The executive session will be for 90 minutes.

At 6:40 pm the regular meeting reconvened. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on February 13, 2019 at 4:00 P.M. at station #41.

Submitted by: Chief Rocky Eastman

Approved by: _____, Chairman