

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on October 9, 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, Dean Atkinson, Larry Meliah, Jim Brower, Dean Farrens and Bill Box.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Buttice.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 25, 2019 were approved as mailed.

The minutes of the budget workshop were approved with one correction, changing the amount under major expenses for carpet replacement from \$60,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Commissioner activity reports for September were handed out and signed by Commissioners.

The WSFC conference is coming up on October 23rd through October 26th. The Snure seminar is on Wednesday the 23rd at 6:00 P.M.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Eastman reviewed EMS transports for September with a hand out and discussion. District #4 transported 22 patients for the month. Total for the year is 222.

Chief Eastman has found a state bid for a new utility vehicle. Additional items including a snow plow, he is confident for a total cost of \$50,000.00. After a brief discussion it was decided to table the purchase for more discussion at a later date.

We have been contacted by the Washington State Auditors for information in preparing for our upcoming audit. The date has not been determined when they will be here.

District flu shots will be given on Monday, October 14th from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. There will be no charge for our members. Non-members will be charged \$30.00 payable to the District. Bi-Mart Pharmacy will be administering them for us this year.

The District Brochure is near complete and will be mailed out next week.

The EMS Advisory Committee will be discussing the EMS Levy at their meeting on October 11th. In discussions with Chief Yancey and Chief Winter, the City of Walla Walla will continue to respond outside of the city limits and is supportive of a county wide EMS levy with no change to the distribution formula as long as the other transporting agencies are willing to respond outside of their jurisdictions as well. All entities are in agreement a softening of the boundaries and sending the closest appropriate unit is beneficial for the community.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Myrick commented on a concern about an incident from last week-end. Multiple medical calls with one having a delayed response. Good example of needing the boundary drop for closest department to respond. Chief was out of town and did not hear the calls. He will follow up with this concern. Commissioner Hector commented on a call the District had earlier with the M3421 requesting

the City to stay in house. Chief Eastman replied this was because of the area they were responding from. Chief Eastman had them continue due to potential call severity and location of units. As it turned out, the medic units arrived less than a minute apart.

NEW BUSINESS

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 10001 through 10046 were presented for payment. Commissioner Myrick motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The total for these were \$121,414.19.

Chief Eastman asked the Board to consider Resolution 2019-02; A Resolution Declaring Certain Items Surplus to the Needs of the Fire District to include a 1975 Chevy 1 ton dump truck and all remaining low pressure SCBA bottles. After a brief discussion it was motioned by Commissioner Myrick to accept the resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Hector and unanimously approved. Chief Eastman advised since there is multiple interest in the dump truck we will have a sealed bid process for the sale. There is no value in the SCBA bottles.

Chief Eastman advised, since the Commissioners and himself will be at the WSFC Conference on the next regular meeting night, it was discussed and approved to change the date of the next meeting to October 30, 2019 at 4:00 P.M.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None

At 4:35 PM Commissioner Buttice called for an executive session to review the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) (g). The executive session will be for 1 hour. At 5:50 PM the regular meeting reconvened.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 P.M.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District #4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on October 30, 2019 at 4:00 P.M. at Station 41.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

Approved by: _____