

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on August 14, 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, 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 July 24, 2019 were approved as mailed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Eastman reviewed EMS transports for July with a hand out and discussion. District #4 transported 26 patients for the month. Total for the year is 161.

Chief Eastman advised the board the 1975 dump truck is in need of a new motor. Due to the age of the vehicle he is looking for opinions on repairing the truck and keeping it or surplus it. Also options for purchasing another vehicle.

E3457 (mobe engine) is now completed and ready to go out. The crew had the truck out back testing water flow and foam today. Chief commended all those involved in building this truck and a great job done by all.

Preliminary work has begun on estimates for the 2020 budgets. Chief Eastman advised we will be ending the year with a little more than expected due to payments from last year's California mobilization coming in this year and the 2017 GEMT funds.

We will be preparing for the WSRB (Washington State Rating Bureau) visit on September 16th. The hydrant/water supply may hurt our rating due to the City annexations. Evaluations are done every five years.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The ESCI feasibility study site visit has be re-scheduled for September 23, 2019. All members are welcome to come with any questions or concerns. Career staff visit will be on September 25th.

NEW BUSINESS

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 08001 through 08057 were presented for payment. Commissioner Buttice motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The total for these were \$158,776.52.

Commissioner Hector and Chief Eastman met with Local 4514 representatives to discuss impacts of providing ALS services and if an agreement could be reached for adding an additional full time paramedic/firefighter on a flexible schedule. An agreement was reached and before the board is an MOU (Memorandum Of Understanding) with Local 4514 for their consideration. After discussion Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the MOU. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and

Commissioner meeting, August 14, 2019; Page 2

it was unanimously approved. Eligibility list testing will take place on August 20th with interviews on August 26th.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District #4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on August 28, 2019 at 4:00 P.M. at Station 41.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

Approved by: _____