

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on September 10, 2019 at Fire Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Chairman Emilio Buttice. All Commissioners and Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present. Guests included Debbie Mobley, Brian Jones, Keith Farrans 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 August 28, 2019 were approved as mailed with one correction being under new business the Tri-County Fire Commissioner meeting was in Burbank at Station 51, not in Dayton.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

The next SE WFCA meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 20, 2019 in Dayton. Chief Eastman will attend. The Commissioners will let Debbie know if they will be going or not.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Eastman reviewed EMS transports for August with a hand out and discussion. District #4 transported 34 patients for the month. Total for the year is 200.

Chief Eastman advised the board, after discussion with staff, they all agree not to do repairs to the 1975 dump truck, but to look at purchasing something similar. After a brief discussion it was decided to move forward with the possibility of purchasing off state bid for something that would accommodate a snow plow.

We have been preparing for the WSRB (Washington State Rating Bureau) visit on Monday, September 16th. Bill has been compiling data for the last month and Travis has been working on hydrant testing at the airport.

Chief Eastman has made a decision on a new firefighter/paramedic hire. He has not made the offer yet so will announce his decision at a later date.

The SAM program started on Monday, September 9th. Blake is the lead for District #4 with teaching first and second graders.

Chief announced that Brandon has received his surgery date of September 12th. He will be out of the office for approximately six months to heal completely before coming back to full time duty.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The ESCI feasibility study site visit is scheduled for September 23, 2019 for District 4 volunteers at Station 41 from 7pm-9pm. All members are welcome to come with any questions or concerns. Career staff visit will be on September 24th.

NEW BUSINESS

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 09001 through 09053 were presented for payment. Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Buttice seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The total for these were \$141,104.88.

The 2020 budget workshop was discussed for a date at the end of September to be determined.

Chief Eastman presented a current Oregon contract for name change at the property at 85620 Foster Road. The owner has recently passed away and the property will be managed by his son. Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the contract change from John Johnson to his son Thomas Johnson. Commissioner Buttice seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Payment has been received keeping the policy to date. A new contract will be sent with copies made for two other siblings with interest in the property.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 P.M.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District #4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on September 25, 2019 at 4:00 P.M. at Station 41.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

Approved by: _____