

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on November 24, 2021 at Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Hector. All Commissioners and Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present. Guests included Deputy Chief John Golden, Brian Jones, and Megan Waite.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hector.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 10, 2021 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Farrens after one correction made regarding D4 attendance at the Officer Development Academy. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

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

A request was submitted to the Walla Walla County Treasurers office to transfer \$642,000 from the Expense Fund to the Reserve fund as outlined in the 2021 Budgets.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Eastman reported the engine and tenders virtual pre-build meeting has been completed. The ambulance pre-build is scheduled for Monday, November 29th.

District Annual Family Christmas dinner is scheduled for December 4th at 3:00pm at station 41.

Chief Eastman reports five members are scheduled for the captains testing December 1st & 2nd. The test results are expected to be announced 7-10 days after testing is completed. Chief Eastman thanked Deputy Chief Golden, Captain Davin, and Captain Woiblet for putting the tests together.

Chief Eastman reported A3421 received some minor damage to the right front corner of the box, repairs will be made in house.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Tri-County Fire Commissioner Meeting update was provided by Commissioner Hector. Some topics discussed at the meeting included; How Covid restrictions and mandates are affecting Eastern Washington vs. Western Washington, SCBA grants, and an interesting legislative update. Commissioner Hector volunteered District #4 to host the February 2022 meeting.

2022 Wage Worksheets was presented to the Board. This worksheet represents the wage increase approved in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement and previously discussed wage increases for non-represented employees. Commissioner Hector asked to table until next meeting so time was allowed to review and prepare questions.

Commissioner Myrick inquired about the dual response with College Place Fire process. Chief Golden reported personnel seem to be getting familiar with each other and working medical calls better together. Trainings and fire calls have been a little more challenging due to staff knowledge, preparedness and experience. The training group will be working to address these items in 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Chief Golden thanked the career staff for keeping operations running smoothly while Chief Eastman was on vacation.

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AUDIENCE INPUT

None

At 4:30 Commissioner Hector called for an executive session as allowed by RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the performance of a public employee. The executive session will be for 15 minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on December 8th, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Chief Rocky Eastman

Approved by: _____, Chairman