

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on November 25, 2020 via Zoom online.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Vern Myrick. All Commissioners and Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present via Zoom. Guests included Brian Jones & Megan Waite.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was not completed due to the meeting being online.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 11, 2020 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Hector. Commissioner Farrens 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.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Recruit Academy only has one week left! Have had great reviews about the program, all is going well.

Chief Eastman reported we had 6 District #4 members complete and pass the Lieutenant testing. We currently have vacancies at station 41, 43 & 44. Promotion interviews are scheduled for December 10.

COVID update, some of our career and volunteer personnel have had an exposure and are out of service until a negative test result is received. Chief Eastman has changed the in-station policy, masks are to be worn at all times while on duty, unless working by yourself outside or alone in an apparatus. Our PPE inventory for responses is plentiful.

Chief Eastman reports we have members interested in being on an apparatus committee. First specification will be for a rescue/ambulance with a 2021 delivery date. A type 1 engine and two tenders are listed for replacement in 2022. Goal is to bid documents completed by end of second quarter 2021. The City of Walla Walla and City of College Place have expressed some interest in joining in on bid.

The Walla Walla City council meets on December 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the PBS for consultant services on the training tower. Requests for proposals are complete, they should be released soon. City of Walla Walla Captain Knowles reports permit submission documents are in the process of being completed.

Survey has been completed at 604 Abbott and we are waiting for the report. The next step is the boundary line adjustment process through the city of Walla Walla, it may take a few months to complete. The current renters are interested in purchasing the property depending on the asking price.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **AUDIENCE INPUT**

The Oregon property at 52446 Sunquist Road, Milton Freewater has a fire protection agreement with District 4. The owner of the property, Joni Hagler, died unexpectedly in August. Her mom Gail Hagler reported the property has sold and the new owners are not interested in continuing the agreement with District 4. She inquired about the contract and a possible refund. Commissioner Myrick motioned to prorate a refund. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and was carried.

At 4:30 PM Chairman Myrick called for an executive session as allowed by RCW 42.30.140 relating to collective bargaining issues and negotiations. The executive session will be for 45 minutes.

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At 5:15 PM the regular meeting reconvened.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15PM

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on December 9, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Chief Rocky Eastman

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman