

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on April 28, 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 Brian Jones, John Golden, Brandon McKinney, Sebastian Schieff, Bill Box, Jeff Wagner, Jes Goodson & Megan Waite.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Farrens. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hector.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 14, 2021 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Farrens. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was unanimously carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

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

The 2021 WFOA Annual Conference is scheduled in Tulalip, WA on October 21-23, 2021. Hotel reservations are unavailable already. Temporary reservations were made at Holiday Inn Express & Suites 1 mile south of the Tulalip Resort.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Eastman reported the current occupants at 604 Abbott Road are interested in purchasing the house. They will be making a formal offer in the next day or two. We have entered an agreement with realtors Todd Wright and Ben Wolfram to represent us with sale of this property. Chief Eastman presented Resolution 2021-02 - Authorization for Chief Eastman to execute and sign agreements on behalf of the fire district for the sale of this property. Commissioner Farrens motion to approve Resolution 2021-02. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

Chief Eastman reported one of our on-shift members tested positive for COVID, the shift will be in quarantine for 7 days then members will be tested.

Zoll AED's and FireComm Headset systems have been ordered.

Members Cody Worden and Jon Spracklen were accepted for the CBC Paramedic program starting in July.

Chief Eastman reports we have 4 summer hires starting the beginning of June and working thru September. Candidates are Kyle Riche, Enrique Orozco, Jon Spracklen and Joshua Pettyjohn.

Chief Eastman would like to schedule an Officer Pinning Wednesday, May 12th at 6pm in Building B at station 41 with bay doors open. All commissioners are available at that time.

Chief Eastman reports Todd Reising has been released by his doctor to full duty as of May 1st.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Policies & Procedures Section 400 was reviewed. Commissioner Hector suggested changing verbiage from 'Assistant Chief' to 'Deputy Chief' and 'status pay' to 'stipend' in section 400-001.

The Apparatus Replacement Committee was present to answer questions the commissioners had regarding the replacement plan. Several questions were asked from the commissioners and various members of the committee answered the questions. List of questions and answers are attached to the minutes. The

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commissioners thanked the committee for the effort put forth and expressed that the questions are part of their due diligence process with apparatus purchases. Commissioners will make a decision in May what direction the department should go with vehicles.

NEW BUSINESS

Renewed Department of Corrections work crew agreement was presented. Changes include the DOC pays L&I and our insurance would name them as additionally insured. Commissioner Farrens moved to approve DOC contract, Commissioner Hector seconded and motion was carried.

Renewed System Design West agreement was presented. Small changes noted. Commissioner Myrick motioned to approve. Commissioner Hector seconded and was carried.

Renewed Forest service contract was presented. Minimal changes to the agreement such as the mutual aid operational period changed from 12 hours to 12 hours. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve. Commissioner Myrick seconded and was carried.

AUDIENCE INPUT

Brian Jones commented about the apparatus replacement portion of the reserve account being fully funded and his support of replacing the discussed apparatuses.

Megan Waite thanked the Commissioners for the new copy machine previously approved, it's great!

Commissioner Hector commended members for keeping the stations and vehicles in impeccable condition, very clean and organized!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 PM

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on May 12, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Chief Rocky Eastman

Approved by: _____, Chairman