

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on June 9, 2021 at Station 41 and via zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Hector. Commissioners Myrick and Farrens, Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present at station 41. Guests included John Golden, Brian Jones, Bill Box and Megan Waite in person at station 41.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hector.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda approved

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 26, 2021 motioned for approval by Commissioner Farrens Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The May Commissioners Activity Reports were reviewed and approved by each Commissioner.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Eastman reviewed responses and EMS transports for the month of May. Ninety responses for the month of May. Thirty-nine fire responses and fifty-one EMS responses with thirty transports completed in May.

604 Abbott property closed last week. Chief Eastman reported the sale price was \$365,000, after fees we received a check for \$342,978.88.

Summer hires Kyle Riche, Parker Pontarolo, and Thomas Olsen started Monday and Jon Spracklen will be starting Saturday. Kyle Riche is in the interview process with Hanford Fire, if offered a full-time position he will start in September allowing him to complete most of the summer with District 4.

Deputy Chief Golden reported the Firewise program presentation at Station 45 was well attended, with approximately 30 citizens, and provided great information.

Chief Eastman notified commissioners he will be on vacation June 23rd – July 9th, back in the office on Monday, July 12th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 210601001 through 21061054 were presented for payment. Chief Eastman reviewed some of the big-ticket items. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried. The total for these were \$172,179.71.

Chief Eastman stated he will be out of town for the next regular meeting. The commissioners changed the date of the next meeting to Monday, June 21st at 4:00pm.

New applicants Neosha Guse applied to be a volunteer EMT and Alex Zitterkopf applied for a transport operator. Commissioners Farrens motioned to approve new members. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

Chief Eastman presented a letter from the Walla Walla County Sheriff's office asking for donations to fund a drone repeater. Chief Eastman had presented the letter to the officers and discussed the benefit it would have to the department. At this time, the value to the fire district is minimal as we have portable repeaters already. After a discussion, the commissioners tabled the request until further information is obtained.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None.

At 4:20 pm Commissioner Hector called for executive session as allowed by RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to discuss the performance of an employee. The executive session will last 30 minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on June 21, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Chief Rocky Eastman

Approved by: _____, Chairman