

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on September 13, 2022 at Station 41.

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

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Farrens.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 24, 2022 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Hector. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

The minutes of the Special meeting of September 7, 2022 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Hector. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

Chief Eastman contacted Kerri at the County Auditor's office regarding transferring funds out of Debt services account. Kerri will do some checking and advise.

Chief Eastman reported the Walla Walla County Auditor's office is reviewing RCWs to determine their obligation to special purpose districts in regards to processing payroll and vouchers.

SE WFCA meeting September 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm in Dayton. Commissioner Myrick is planning to attend.

WFCA conference has limited lodging available and asking attendees to cancel as soon as possible to avoid any fees to WFCA.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

The Fire and EMS response and transport reports for the month of August was provided. One hundred seven total responses for the month and fifty-seven EMS responses with Thirty-six transports for the month of August.

Chief Golden reported we are interviewing 10 potential new volunteers this week. Six of those candidates are interested in the EMT class starting next week.

Kyle Crosswhite is at the Washington Fire Chiefs mechanic conference this week in Wenatchee.

Chief Eastman reported the irrigation pump for 604 Abbott Road pasture failed. Chief Golden has been working with Dakota Well and Pump for a replacement pump.

Chief Eastman gave apparatus update. The duty officer pick-up had the canopy installed last week and is back in the shop for staff. The dozer trailer is expected to arrive by the end of the month. The two type-4 chassis have been confirmed with Jim's Pacific with a 9-12 month expected delivery, Chief Eastman is working to modify the gears and tires quoted.

Governor Inslee's emergency declaration ends October 31<sup>st</sup>. if everything goes as planned all vaccination requirements and exemptions should end.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 220901001 through 220901066 were presented for payment. Chief Eastman reviewed some of the big-ticket items. Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and was carried. The total for these were \$477,226.57.

2023 Budget workshop is schedule for Wednesday, September 28th at 3 PM, before regular Commissioner Meeting. Commissioner Myrick inquired about putting new tables and chairs for the classroom in the budget.

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

Megan Waite asked the Commissioners for updated photos for the website. Commissioners will bring or wear their shirts to the next meeting.

At 4:37 p.m. Commissioner Farrens 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 for 5 minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:42 PM

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

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