

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on September 9, 2020 via Zoom online.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Larry Hector. Commissioners Hector and Farrens, Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present via Zoom. Guests included Megan Waite, Brian Jones and Sebastian Scheiff. Commissioner Myrick was absent.

### **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 August 26, 2020 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Hector. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and was carried.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

Snure Webinar will be held Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm via Zoom. Commissioners Hector and Farrens are interested. Will check with Commissioner Myrick and complete registration. Chief Eastman will check dates for Commissioner Association Meetings, thinking they will be around the same time as the Snure seminar. Commissioners Hector and Farrens are interested depending on dates.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Eastman reviewed EMS transports for the month of August. Twenty-nine transports were completed in August and a total of 202 for the year. Chief Eastman commented activity is above normal.

Chief Eastman reports four new volunteer members Paul Collins, Kevin Hartelius, Thomas Olsen and Joe Zitterkopf. They are scheduled to start academy September 23<sup>rd</sup>, background checks and physical exams have been completed. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve new members, Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

Jose Tolentino has been offered a conditional offer for position of Firefighter/Paramedic. Monthly compensation to be \$4,373 as an EMT starting, this is a 5% reduction from the Normal firefighter/EMT rate. He will continue at 5% below the entry level rates until he obtains his Washington State Paramedic certification and IFSAC Firefighter 1 certification. After completion of IFSAC Firefighter 1 a one-year probationary period will begin. Jose accepted the conditional offer, employment will start September 22, 2020. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve compensation of \$4,373 per month. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

Brandon Cadwell is applying for medical disability through the state of Washington and submitted his disability separation from Fire District 4 effective 9/8/2020. Brandon will apply for a percentage of his LEOFF II pension.

Land Survey at 604 Abbott has been contracted with PBS Engineering and Environmental for approximately \$4,700 to survey property, adjust boundary lines and prepare all documentation needed. The goal is to have the 604 Abbott property on the market spring of 2021.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 200901001 through 200901048 were presented for payment. Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and was carried. The total for these were \$135,304.41.

2021 Budget Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> @ 4 PM.

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A new Oregon contract was presented for David & Mary Lou Adams at 84532 China Canyon Road, Walla Walla, WA. Starting September 1, 2020 with payment of \$191.90 for first year. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve new contract and rate. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20p

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on September 23, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Chief Rocky Eastman

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