

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on April 12, 2023 at Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Commissioner Myrick. Commissioners Farrens and Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present at station 41. Commissioner Hector via Zoom. Guests included Deputy Chief Golden, Deputy Chief Woiblet, Brian Jones, Chief Bob Clendaniel, Sharon Brooks and Megan Waite in person at station 41.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Myrick.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting agenda was presented. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

SURPLUS BID OPENING

Bid 1) WWCFD#6	Ambulance/Rescue	\$46,001
Bid 2) WWCFD#6	Type 1 Engine	\$36,001
Bid 3) WWCFD#8	Tender 3435	\$30,000
Bid 4) WWCFD#8	Tender 3435 & 3433	\$40,000
Bid 5) Steven Baerlocher	Trailer	\$4,650
Bid 6) Whiskey Creek Hay	Trailer	\$5,600
Bid 7) David White	Trailer	\$3,550

Commissioner Hector motioned to accept the bids from WWCFD#6 for the Ambulance/Rescue at \$46,001 and for Type 1 Engine at \$36,001. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Hector motioned to accept the bid from Whiskey Creek Hay for the trailer at \$5,600. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

After a brief discussion and Chief Bob Clendaniel speaking on behalf of WWCFD#8 regarding the bids for the Tenders. Commissioner Hector motioned to accept the bid from WWCFD#8 for two tenders at \$40,000. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 22nd were motioned for approval by Commissioner Farrens. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

CHIEF'S REPORT

The Fire and EMS response and transport reports for the month of March was provided. Seventy total responses for the month and forty-seven EMS responses with twenty-six transports for the month.

Recruit academy and graduation was well attended and turned out very nice. Cadre did a great job!

Medicare Ground Ambulance report was completed and we are in the process of submitting. Chief Eastman commended Deputy Chief Golden for doing a great job!

Deputy Chief Golden attended the North End Fire management meeting and reported they had good discussions regarding resources available and plans for the upcoming fire season.

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Back up cameras that were purchased with the awarded GESA grant money in 2022 are currently being installed. Tenders are complete. Installation in Type 1 engines are being done during annuals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 230401001 through 230401056 were presented for payment. Chief Eastman reviewed some of the big-ticket items. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried. The total for these were \$216,456.56.

Chief Eastman would like to schedule the first meeting for the Strategic planning committee personnel, for the first part of May. Chief Eastman asked for one of the Commissioners to volunteer for the committee. Commissioner Hector volunteered to be the liaison for the Board. Chief Eastman recommended scheduling a retreat for the executive Board, Tuesday May 9th at noon.

Chief Eastman presented seven potential new members for approval, Pending physical exams. They are Joseph Barnhart, Alexander Bennett, Ethan Locati, Zachary McMakin, Brody Pingree, Gabriel Torres, Wyatt Towne. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve moving forward with new members contingent on them completing requirements. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:44 PM

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on April 26th, 2023 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

Approved by: _____, Chairman