

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on February 14, 2024 at Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Commissioner Hector. Commissioner Farrens and Secretary/Chief Rocky Eastman were present at station 41. Guests included Deputy Chief Golden and Deputy Chief Adam Woiblet in person at station 41. Commissioner Myrick was absent.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hector.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The meeting agenda was presented, no changes to agenda. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 24, 2024 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Farrens. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

Legislative update

Brief discussion about County Auditor's potential move away from services for D4.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Eastman thanked our members for their help in covering for the WWFD during the difficult time dealing with Ryan Pleasants' passing.

The Fire and EMS response and transport reports for the month of January was provided. One hundred nineteen total responses for the month and ninety-two EMS responses with sixty-six transports for the month.

Training Captain

The Resident Program proposal was reviewed by Brian Snure. His recommendations were discussed.

Award Banquet is March 2<sup>nd</sup> at The Marcus Whitman. Commissioner Hector will deliver Commissioner address.

Eligibility list Firefighter / EMT testing is scheduled for February 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Potential levy lid-lift update—March 13 set for decision by the Board on the resolution

The final Strategic Plan was presented to the Commissioners.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 240201001 through 240201057 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 \$239,870.80.

Resolution 2024-01; A resolution to authorize the surplus of apparatus and equipment. Discussed surplus process. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve the surplus list; apparatus will be sold by sealed bid.

Two 2001 Ford F550 4x4 Type 5 Fire Engines

Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried. Bid opening will be later. TBA

Chief Eastman presented the 2024 EMS Levy Contract for approval and signatures. There have not been any changes to the contract except for the payment amount. Our portion is \$466,980. After a brief discussion Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve the contract as presented. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

None.

At 4:11 PM Commissioner Hector 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 lasted for 10 minutes. The Commissioners came back out of Executive Session at 4:21 PM and the meeting continued.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

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