

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on October 30, 2024 at Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Hector. Commissioners Myrick and Farrens were present at station 41. Guests included Deputy Chief John Golden, Kyle Jagelski-General Fire, Walla Walla City Fire Chief John Knowles and Megan Waite in person at station 41.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hector.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting and the Budget Workshop of October 8, 2024, motioned for approval by Commissioner Farrens. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

The Treasurer's Financial Report and Secretary's Budget Report for September were presented & reviewed.

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Administrative Assistant Megan Waite stated the Deferred Compensation Voucher from September was mis-calculated. The error was corrected and a new voucher report completed. Megan is asking for Commissioners approval. Commissioner Farrens motioned to accepted the amended vouchers. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

The WFCA Conference October 22-25, 2025 in Tulalip. Commissioner Hector stated he will not be going due to the poor acoustics. All others plan to attend, Megan will reserve 4 rooms.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Deputy Chief panel interview is scheduled for Monday the 4th. At 5:30pm at station 41, a meet and greet will give all members an opportunity to meet candidates. Tuesday the 5th, Chief Eastman, Deputy Chief Golden, DC Woiblet and Commissioner Farrens will interview candidates.

Mechanic position closes tomorrow, October 31. We have received one completed application with resume. A panel interview and practical test will be held soon.

Pinning Ceremony on the 6th, Kyle Crosswhite to Lieutenant, Rachael Voegele and Wyatt Towne as new hire Firefighters on Wednesday at 6pm.

X-Mas Dinner will be Saturday, December 7th with the parade to follow.

Chief Eastman will be out of the office the 8th-17th and Deputy Chief Golden will be out the 7th-11th. Deputy Chief Woiblet will be available.

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Sale of surplus E3456 brought \$20,000 before fees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

New Type 1 Engine, Kyle from General Fire was present to discuss the stock Type 1 Engine. Potentially available in 30 days. Source-Well membership would allow us to purchase without going out to bid. 1-1-2027, new Cummins/Detroit. \$526,256.00 without tax. An additional \$29,847.00 could be added with work done by General Fire.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, we will move the November 27th meeting to November 26th.

Chief Golden presented a letter to authorize a new bank account for processing payroll. The letter lists Chief Rocky Eastman and Deputy Chief Golden as signers on the account and Admin. Asst. Megan Waite as an account user without signing privileges. Commissioner Myrick motioned to approve new bank account at Baker Boyer Bank. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and was carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The 2025 Budgets were reviewed and discussed. No changes were desired by the Board. Therefore, Resolution 2024-08; A Resolution Requesting the County to Levy Taxes was presented. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve resolution 2024-08. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution 2024-09; A Resolution Adopting the 2029 Budget was presented. Commissioner Farrens motioned to approve resolution 2024-09. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved and signed.

AUDIENCE INPUT

None.

4:55 Executive session for 10 minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:06 PM.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2024 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Rocky Eastman, Secretary

Approved by: _____, Chairman