

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on April 9, 2025 at Station 41.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Farrens. Commissioners Hector and Myrick and secretary John Golden were present at Station 41. Guest includes Deputy Chief Brandon McKinney, Deputy Chief Adam Woiblet, and Megan Waite.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Farrens.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025, were motioned for approval by Commissioner Myrick. Commissioner Hector seconded the motion and was carried.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The March Commissioners activity reports were reviewed and approved by each commissioner.

Snure Webinars on April 25<sup>th</sup> and May 9<sup>th</sup> are registered for.

#### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

March Fire and EMS incidents, 99 total. Staying consistent at 70% EMS and 30% Fire.

An offer to Justin Folz has been accepted with a May 1, start date. Laelen Torrance started April 1, going through orientation. Laelen, Justin and Wyatt will move to shift around June 1, when orientation is complete. Then Laelen, Justin and Viorel will attend ARFF school when we are able to schedule in Helena.

Backing incident with Engine E3411 backing into Duty officer's vehicle on a critical call.

Rescue 3441 back door was replaced by Northwest Collision.

New E3441 is in service at station 41. Old E3441 will be renumbered to E3445 and moved to station 45. Our goal is to have E3442 in service in June.

New Type 1 Engine will be ready for inspection the first of May. Chiefs Golden and McKinney are planning to complete the inspection. A discount will be available if paid within 30 days of delivery.

An extend-o-bed and canopy have been ordered for Utility 348. General Fire revised the estimate to complete the upfitting.

Credit Cards have been updated. No changes to the cards. One card for Brandon McKinney and one travel card through Banner Bank. Chief Golden will have a Costco Citi Card.

We have a 1-year agreement with Providence St. Mary Medical Center to complete stress tests and CT scan for calcium, per Josue Reyes orders. The tests will be \$150 for each test.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Reimbursement from Social Security for \$472,156.58 and \$77,084.43 in interest were received. The final reimbursement payments are included in April's vouchers and payroll.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Payroll and expenses vouchers were not completed. A special meeting of the Board was scheduled for Thursday April 10 at 4:00pm to review and approve vouchers for the month of March.

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

None.

At 4:37 PM 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 be for 5 minutes.

Chairman Farrens ended the Executive Session and returned to the regular meeting at 4:47 PM. A motion was made by Commissioner Farrens to rewrite Chief Golden's contract to reflect his new title and salary to equal that of the outgoing Chief. In addition, Deputy Chief McKinney's contract would be rewritten to show his vacation accrual each year to equal the same percentage of the Chief's as his salary percentage of the Chief's. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hector and passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 PM.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Deputy Chief John Golden

Approved by: , Chairman