

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Fire Commissioners of Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 held on July 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 Megan Waite.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Farrens.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 25, 2025, were motioned for approval by Commissioner Hector. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Fire and EMS response and transport reports for June were provided. One hundred one total responses for the month and sixty-four EMS responses with 29 transports and 2 airport transports.

Brian Gourdin's ended his part-time work for us in May, Ryan Chase was hired and started June 1. Ryan will attend ARFF training at the end of July and work day-shift until September. Starting September 1<sup>st</sup> Ryan will move to A-shift and Dean Walker will move from A to C shift.

A salary schedule was presented to Union members; negotiations are continuing.

Refund request from System Design for an overpayment was received and paid.

Special Olympics Fundraiser "Fire and Cop on Top" is Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. Captain Williams will represent Fire District #4 from 2p – 3p.

Both Type 4's are in service and have been on their first calls; everything is working great!

New utility pick-up had canopy installed, and the Extendo bed was delivered and installed. General Fire wasn't able to get the utility on their schedule, so we will finish in-house.

Crews are working on installing the radios in Engine 3413, almost ready for service.

Rescue 3441 had the inverter replaced; seems to be holding a charge.

Station 41 speakers are working after the new amp was installed. Deputy Chief McKinney has applied for GESA's Local Hero grant, and a Firehouse Subs grant to secure funding to upgrade the current system.

Station 44 is having issues with the pump and well; Doyle Electric presented two options for repairs. One replaces everything, the second repairs what is needed. We will repair what is broken.

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Chief Golden, Deputy Chief McKinney and Deputy Chief Woiblet are all out of town until Saturday or Sunday.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A neighboring county is interested in purchasing Engine 3416. Chief Golden will research options for surplus.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Payroll and expense vouchers numbered 250701001 through 250701053 for a total of \$294,450.88 were presented for payment. Chief Golden reviewed some of the big-ticket items. Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the expense vouchers. Commissioner Farrens seconded the motion and was carried.

Ron Courson poverty waiver was considered. Commissioner Hector motioned to approve the waiver. Commissioner Myrick seconded the motion and was carried.

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 453PM.

The next regular Walla Walla County Fire District No. 4 Commissioner Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 4:00 P.M. Submitted by: Chief John Golden

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