

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 4  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
February 16, 2016**

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present were Commissioner Chairman Les Riel, Commissioner Vice-Chairman Dan McNulty, Commissioner Ken Eakin, Commissioner Phil Nelson, Fire Chief Michael Riel, and Temp. District Secretary Angel Stevens. Audience consists of LT. Trevor Lenseigne, and Union Rep Jeremy Rodriguez. Commissioner Chairman Riel called the meeting to order and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Chairman Riel went over the Agenda and did introductions. Agenda was approved and the meeting continued.

**LIMITED OPEN PUBLIC INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA – Public comment for items that are on the agenda are allowed as the item comes up for discussion during the meeting. Please stand and be recognized by the Chair and limit your comments to three minutes.**

Commissioner Riel noted that no one had signed up to speak.

**COMMISSIONERS REVIEW OF CANDIDATES APPLICATIONS AND PROCESS**

Commissioner Chairman Riel went over the process of how the interviewing will go. Commissioner Chairman Riel stated the times of when each interview will start and each one will end. Commissioner Chairman Riel also, announced that the Candidates will be asked 10 questions (which is attached behind the Minutes) by the Interviewing Panel. Commissioner Chairman Riel instructed Temp District Secretary Stevens that she is responsible for each interview on reminding the board when they have reached the half way mark into the interview, which 10 minutes will be the halfway mark into each interview. Commissioner Chairman Riel also instructed Temp District Secretary Stevens to also notify the board when there is only 5 minutes left in the Executive Session for the Interviewing Panel. The Interviewing Panel consists of Commissioner Chairman Riel, Commissioner Vice-Chairman McNulty, Commissioner Eakin, and Commissioner Nelson.

**INTERVIEWING THE CANDIDATES:**

- **1<sup>ST</sup> APPLICANT: 4:10 pm – David Ramynke**

David Ramynke arrived at 4:03pm for the interview. Commissioner Chairman Riel went over the interviewing process with the Candidate, and asked him to approach the Podium for the interviewing to begin. It is now 4:10pm and David Ramynke's interview questions began. At 4:26pm the interview questions were done and the board moved on to the next Candidate.

- **2<sup>nd</sup> APPLICANT : 4:30 pm – Ben St. Mary**

Ben St. Mary arrived at 4:25pm for the interview. Commissioner Chairman Riel went over the interviewing process with the Candidate, and asked him to approach the Podium for the interviewing to begin. It is now 4:30pm and Ben St. Mary's interview questions began. At 4:46pm the interview questions were done and the board moved on to the next Candidate.

- **3<sup>rd</sup> APPLICANT : 4:50 pm – Jeffery LaBrant**

Jeffery LaBrant arrived at 4:36pm for the interview. Commissioner Chairman Riel went over the interviewing process with the Candidate, and asked him to approach the Podium for the interviewing to begin. It is now 4:46pm and Jeffery LaBrant's interview questions began. At 5:01pm the interview questions were done.

At this time Commissioner Chairman Riel announced to the Public and Candidates that the Interviewing Panel will now go into Executive Session to review and discuss the Candidates answers to the questions they were asked to decide who was going to be the next Commissioner for position 3

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION: RCW 42.30.110 (1) (h)**

Commissioner Chairman Riel announced at 5:03pm that the Interviewing panel will now go into Executive Session for the reviewing and appointing of the New Commissioner Position 3.

Commissioner Chairman Riel announced that the board will reconvene in 15 minutes which will be 5:15pm, unless the board needs more time on which Temp District Secretary will notify and let the public know. It is now 5:15pm and the Commissioners in the Executive Session asked to extend the session for 5 more minutes which now will be 5:20pm. Temp District Secretary turned on the recorders and announced that the commissioners need extended time of 5 minutes and will reconvene at 5:20pm. Commissioner Chairman Riel announced it is now 5:20pm and the board of Commissioners is now out of the Executive Session. The meeting will now continue.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE DECISION OF THE NEW COMMISSIONER POSSITION 3**

Commissioner Chairman Riel thanked all the interviewers for applying and encourages the ones who were not selected to run for this position next year to give our constituents the opportunity to vote on this Position #3. Commissioner Chairman Riel made a motion to appoint David Ramynke to fill the open Fire Commissioner Position #3, Commissioner Vice-Chairman McNulty seconds the motion and motion was approved. Commissioner Chairman Riel asked the Notary Republic Janet Roy Knautz to now read the Oath of Office to David Ramynke and sign the Oath of Office.

#### **SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS**

The document of Administer Oath of Office was presented by Janet Knautz who will also be notarizing the Administer Oath of Office Document. David Ramynke raised his right hand, and repeated after Janet the Oath in to office. At this time Commissioner Chairman Riel and the rest of the panel congratulated David Ramynke. Janet Knautz signed and notarized the Oath of Office Document along with David Ramynke.

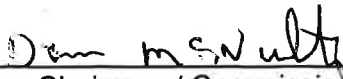
#### **NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, February 22, 2016 at 4:00pm**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, Commissioner Riel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner McNulty seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 5:30p.m.



Chairman / Commissioner Les Riel



Vice-Chairman / Commissioner Dan McNulty



Fire Chief Michael J Riel



Temporary District Secretary  
Angel Stevens