

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 4  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 10, 2017**

The meeting convened at 4:02 pm at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present were Chairman Les Riel, Vice-Chairman Dan McNulty, Commissioner David Ramynke, and Secretary Jenifer Huitt.

Chairman Riel called the meeting to order and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMENDATION**

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners Chairman Riel commended everyone that participated in the Rattlesnake Hills and Coyote Creek fires especially the firefighters in our district, throughout Yakima County, and State MOBE. Many lives and structures were saved and numerous hours were spent fighting without sleep. Your professionalism and training show and your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed. Lt Lenseigne said our community members are very supportive and donated water and food to our district, State MOBE, and the Red Cross.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as circulated.

**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.**

Chairman Riel noted no public attended the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Commissioner Ramynke made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted from the June 26<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. Seconded and carried.

**CLAIMS REQUEST APPROVAL**

Vice-Chairman McNulty made a motion to approve the Fire claims request in the amount of \$21,663.83 and EMS \$2,464.85 for a total of \$21,128.68. Seconded and carried.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Secretary Huitt submitted current fund balances, budget position totals, and July payroll to the Board.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Engine 40 Repairs**

Lt Lenseigne reported that the warped head will need to be replaced not just the gasket the hours converted to mileage is equal to about 400,000 miles and the repair cost is reasonable compared to the cost of a new engine. The Board requested this be handled as any general apparatus repair and not submitted to insurance.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Chairman Riel attended the WFCA Board Meeting. Health care cost will likely go up 5% for 2018. King County has been audited and is overpaying DRS. It was also noted that comp time needs to be used in the same year. Secretary Huitt will check into the issue to ensure we are paying correctly.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Lt Lenseigne reported that the paperwork for the State MOBE fires is being completed and will be sent in when finished.

**DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORTS**

Commissioner Ramynke made a motion to approve the Department Activity Reports as submitted. Seconded and carried.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION – Limited between Board and Staff – NO PUBLIC INPUT**

Secretary Huitt stated we have all the necessary paperwork on Mark Emery to confirm his employment eligibility as fire chief. Chairman Riel requested specifics be stricken from the record. Lt. Lenseigne noted that the two fires are still under investigation by the fire marshal. Commissioner Ramynke would like to be included in the debriefing of the 2 fires if appropriate and is proud to be a part of our district. Lt. Lenseigne stated there were zero injuries and no structures burned. BC Woodall asked if the state pays for fire protection on the 640 acres within the burned areas.

**SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS**

The documents were signed by the Board.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 4:00 pm.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice-Chairman McNulty made a motion to adjourn. Seconded and carried. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.



Chairman Les Riel




Vice-Chairman Dan McNulty



Commissioner David Ramynke

ATTEST:



District Secretary Jenifer S Huitt