

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 10th, 2023**

The meeting convened at 3:30 pm at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present at Station 40 were, Chairman Ben St. Mary, Commissioner Les Riel, Commissioner David Ramynke, Fire Chief Dale Hille, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux and District Secretary Katelynn Hogan; via zoom were Lieutenant CJ Erickson.

Chairman St. Mary called the meeting to order at 1530.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioners St. Mary lead in the pledge of allegiance.

LIMITED OPEN PUBLIC INPUT for items NOT on the Agenda – Public comment for items that are on the agenda are allowed as the item comes up for discussion during the meeting.

Commissioner St. Mary noted there was no public input at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Riel made a motion to approve the agenda as circulated. Commissioner Ramynke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- April 07th, 2023 Payroll

**PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES - None
CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL**

Claims Requests Fire	\$	66,265.04
Claims Requests EMS	\$	<u>2,819.60</u>
Total Claims	\$	69,084.64

CHIEF'S REPORT - Attached

Commissioner Riel made a motion to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Commissioner Ramynke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None
NEW BUSINESS**

- Flow MSP Demonstration

DC Lamoureux gave a demonstration of Flow MSP to show how pre fire plans look and are accessed during a call. If the incident address has a pre fire the program will automatically pull up the pre fire plan so the crew is briefed before getting on scene. This allows crews to be aware of where active hydrants, floor plans, gas shut off, Knox keys and oxygen storage are located among many other things. Commissioner Riel stated it may be beneficial to look into grant funding to provide updated arial pictures for the pre fire program. FC Hille explained another benefit of this program is if any other districts decide to join this program and we are tapped out for mutual aid we will get pre fires for those incidents if they have them as well.

- DNR Cooperative Agreement

FC Hille stated the district has an opportunity to work with DNR and received money for doing home inspections in the wildland interface areas. We will receive a rate per inspection and a few ipad's to do so. The rate range is between \$125 to \$200, we will be asking for \$150 per inspection. At the end of the year, we invoice them for however many inspections we completed and they send us a check.

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REVIEW DRAFTER POLICIES

- 04.04.02 Uniform, Dress Code and Personal Appearance

DS Hogan noted the draft agenda details all changes to drafted policy's so the board is aware what changes are being made. Whereas the final agenda has the final format for adoption in order to outline the changes being made. FC Hille noted this policy is a unisex policy to outline the expectations for the districts uniform standards for everyone. Commissioner Ramynke made a motion to adopt drafted policy 04.04.02 Uniform, Dress Code and Personal Appearance. Commissioner Riel seconded motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Riel informed the board that he attended the WFCOA executive board meeting Thursday April 6th, 2023 via zoom and Saturday April 15th, 2023 Commissioner Riel will be driving to Olympia for the main WFCOA board meeting.

Commissioner Ramynke stated representative Chris Kory has confirmed that the communications committee is going to receive \$135,000 in grant money for new microwaves. One of the towers is damaged and owned by a private individual and is not safe to climb which is creating issues.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Commissioner Ramynke had some personal commitments move around and is thinking it will be more realistic for him to attend the Snure meeting with the board Friday June 10, 2023 via zoom. FC Hille stated that Brian will be sending out a packet of information before the actual meeting that he would like all attendees to thoroughly review before the actual meeting begins and bring questions.

FC Hille informed the board that the district participated in the active shooter drill at the college over the weekend. FC Hille noted it was a very beneficial learning experience and even though there were noticeable issue it was educational. Two volunteers attended from our department. FC Hille was an evaluator and DC Lamoureux was in command. The East Valley School District is also very interested in getting involved in the future however there have many different protocols they have to work around in order to do so.

FC Hille updated that the Brush 40 build has run into some issues. Obtaining a chassis is near to impossible at the moment and fire districts are tier three on the bid slots for chassis because of supply issues and are focusing on tier one and two instead. FC Hille stated after talking with Jordan from Cascade if we want to start building this year the cost is going to increase from what we have already budgeted due to the cost of the chassis. FC estimated that the chassis is going to cost the district around \$85,000 the last one purchased was close to \$ 60,000. The only way to obtain a chassis is if the builder purchases the chassis instead of the district.

DC Lamoureux updated the board that he is working on coming up with a standardized format for the shift reports each month. A draft will be sent out to the captains for review and is hoping to have the standard ironed out by May 8th BOC meeting.

Captain Schrank has received notice that all the eggs and milk will be donated for the pancake feed on June 4th, 2023. Starbucks has donated all the coffee for 100 people during the active shooter drill and Dominos donated all the pizza for lunch during the drill as well.

Saturday June 17th at the Moxee park there will be a first responder appreciation lunch from the community from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. FC Hille noted the Terrace Heights grange one went very well.

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

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Due to the Commissioners attending in person the documents will be held for signature after the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, April 24th, 2023 at 3:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business Commissioner Riel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:22. Commissioner Ramynke seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:22



Chairman Ben St. Mary



Vice-Chairman Les Riel

Excused Absence

Commissioner David Ramynke

Attest:

Katelynn Hogan

District Secretary Katelynn Hogan