

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
April 25th, 2022**

The meeting convened at 4:00 pm at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present at Station 40 were, Commissioner Ben St. Mary, Commissioner Les Riel, Commissioner David Ramynke, Fire Chief Dale Hille and District Secretary Katelynn Hogan.

Commissioner St. Mary called the meeting to order at 1600.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioners St. Mary lead 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 consent agenda as submitted. Commissioner Ramynke seconded. Motion Carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **SECRETARY’S REPORT**
 - Dated Balance as of March 31st, 2022
- b. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**
 - April 11th, 2022 Regular BOC Meeting Minutes
- c. **CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL**

Claims Requests Fire	\$	15,903.05
Claims Requests EMS	\$	<u>534.07</u>
Total Claims	\$	16,437.12
- d. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - Worker Care notice of price increase
- e. **CHIEF’S REPORT - None**

Commissioner Ramynke made a motion to approve the consent agenda items a-d being as there’s no Chiefs Report. Commissioner Riel seconded; motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Concrete Station 41

FC Hille informed the board that since the concrete didn’t get done last year it is still a need. However, the prices have increased \$4,500. They went from \$3,750 to \$4,180 to complete Station 41 concrete. FC Hille informed the board that this will be an upcoming project so that they are aware.

NEW BUSINESS

- DCO Interview

FC Hille asked who would be able to sit in on the Deputy Chief interviews. Commissioner Ramynke made the decision to participate in the Deputy Chief interviews. FC Hille included his plan is for each candidate to perform a 25-minute presentation on themselves to show that they can speak in front of a crowd, this will include all evaluators for the day. After, a panel interview will take place, that consists of the Moxee Police Chief, Selah FC, DC from Yakima, one of our

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Captains and a Union Representative. Lastly there would be a Commissioner/Chief interview. FC Hille and the board decided that May 24th works best to preform the Deputy Chief Interviews.

- Collyn Stafford

FC Hille informed the board that FF Collyn Stafford has hurt his back and is on LNI for a month; 3 weeks remaining. However, because the district pays him for the first 66 days FC Hille stated he would like to bring him on as light duty to work under FF Robillard. They will be working on the records up stairs to get ready for a bulk shred company to come and dispose of old records that we no longer needed based off of the records retention act. Commissioner Riel would like to be informed as to when the company will be at the station so he can bring old policy books and such to dispose of as well.

Review Drafted Policies

- DRAFT 09.01.01 Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs, SOGs)
- DRAFT 09.01.02 Emergency Vehicle Driving Standards and Rules
- DRAFT 09.01.03 Emergency Response & Operational Guidelines
- DRAFT 09.01.04 Emergency Vehicle Incident Prevention
- DRAFT 09.01.05 Breathing Apparatus Maintenance
- DRAFT 09.01.06 Use of Ladders
- DRAFT 09.01.07 Breathing Air Compressor and Cascade Filling System
- DRAFT 09.01.08 Emergency Response Clothing

Commissioner Riel made a motion to approve drafted policies as submitted 9.01.01 through 09.01.08 as submitted. Commissioner St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Riel attended the WFCOA board meeting which included the Health Care usage ratings. The district is currently at 93% for Health Care and Dental is at 101%. He is hoping that if the rates stay where they are that we will get another premium holiday.

Commissioner Riel informed there were a few bills that passed recently. Bill 5155 – Large districts that can perform their own treasurer to be more efficient. Bill 1310 – police reform was reversed so things can go back to the way they were before 1310 was implemented making things a lot safer. Bill 1056 – All districts have to have a website and post board meeting agendas and minutes to it 24 hours in advance, exempt small districts; if it cost more than 1% of budget then they are exempt from having a website. Bill 1329 – allows districts to continue with virtual meetings. Bill 1891 – will allow ranchers/farmers to fight their own fires and districts aren't liable for them doing so. Bill 1921 – allowing grants for smaller fire districts.

Commissioner Riel informed the Vern building construction has started as well as the waste water pond.

Commissioner Ramynke informed that there is a communications committee meeting Wednesday April 27th 2022. The Committee wanted to get an extra meeting in before the County Commissioners dinner meeting in May. They will be reviewing capital project money that they were awarded.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FC Hille informed the board that the Commissioners mail boxes are now in the conference room.

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FC Hilled stated May 9th BOC Meeting he will be at the Fire Academy so he will be attending via zoom.

FC Hille also informed one of the commissioners will need to get the check book from DS Hogan for the May 19th County Commissioners dinner meeting due to him being at the Fire Academy.

FC Hille stated that Orting Fire is going to piggy back on our brush truck build. The ownis is on them so if they want to do that, they will offer our board an ILA to sign to do so.

FC Hille informed the board that our WSRB auditor inspection will be here Tuesday May 3ed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION - NONE

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

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

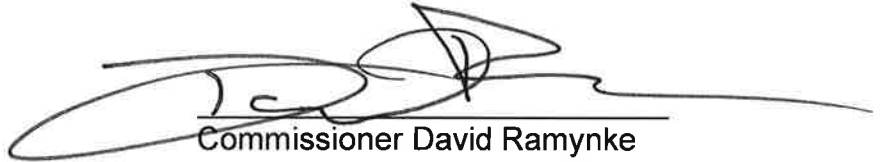
NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, May 9th, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner St. Mary made a motion to adjourn. There being no other business Chairman St. Mary adjourned the meeting at 4:31 pm.



Chairman Ben St. Mary



Commissioner David Ramynke



Vice-Chairman Les Riel

Attest:



District Secretary Katelynn