

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
April 22nd, 2024**

The meeting convened at 3:30 pm at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present at Station 40 were Chairman Les Riel, Vice Chairman Tyler Brandt, Commissioner Ben St. Mary, Fire Chief Dale Hille, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux, District Secretary Katelynn Roberts, Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost, Lieutenant CJ Erickson, and Firefighter Travis Young.

Chairman Riel called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Riel 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.

Chairman Riel noted there was no public input at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Fund Balances as of March 31st, 2024

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- April 8th, 2024 BOC Meeting Minutes

CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL

Claims Requests FIRE	\$	16,897.10
Claims Requests EMS	\$	399.09
Total Claims	\$	17,296.19

CORRESPONDANCE

- YCFC Agenda
- YCFC Minutes
- YCFC Quarterly Dinner Flyer

DS Roberts asked if anyone would like to attend the Yakima County Fire Chiefs Quarterly Dinner on May 16th, 2024 and the board and Chiefs informed her, they will all be attending.

CHIEF'S REPORT – Attached

Commissioner St. Mary made a motion to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Commissioner Brandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Levy Lid Lift

FC Hille informed the board that he has the Levy packet ready to be sent into the election's office on Friday April 26th, 2024. FC Hille will also be speaking at the Terrace Heights Library on Thursday April 25th, 2024 at 6:00 pm for the Terrace Heights Community Association. On June 5th, 2024 FC Hille will be meeting with the Terrace Heights Grange, Moxee City Council and the elementary schools PTAs to get the word out about the Levy coming up. The signs and banners have been designed and are waiting to be ordered. The Local 469 Union has agreed to donate \$400 and more manpower for Hop Fest and the 4th of July Parade. Volunteer Firefighters Jeff Taylor and Steven Feeney have also informed the department they will be on our "for" committee.

NEW BUSINESS

- Action Decision Request 2024-02 – Mobile Radio Purchase

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FC Hille informed the board that the department is requesting to purchase all new radio systems for all apparatus so they're all the same and have P25 capability. FC Hille is estimating the cost to be around \$12,000 not including the installment fees. Commissioner St. Mary made a motion to approve the action decision request. Commissioner Brandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Chairman Riel attended the State Board meeting in Olympia, WA and informed everyone that the board is looking into not increasing conference fees. Chairman Riel also informed everyone that healthcare increases have taken up 108% of the budget. There is a County Commissioners meeting coming up where the new Fire Marshall will be introduced.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

FC Hille informed the board that we have received the Wildfire Ready Neighbors information and flyers to hand out at Yakima Ranches on May 17th, 2024 and other department events. FC Hille also informed everyone that he spoke with a representative at Dozer Days from Bilko Towing and they let us know that if the department ever has a funeral or special event, that they will tow the antique engines to and from the events at no cost. The annual Pancake Feed will be June 9th, 2024 at Station 40. The department has had milk and eggs donated so far, and LT. Erickson informed everyone that he has also secured a refrigeration truck.

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

Due to all Commissioners attending the meeting in person, documents will be held for signatures after the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, May 13th, 2024 at 3:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business Chairman Riel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 pm. Commissioner St. Mary seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:02 pm.



Chairman Les Riel



Commissioner Ben St. Mary

Vice-Chairman Tyler Brandt

Attest:


District Secretary Katelynn M. Roberts