

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 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, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux, and Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost. Fire Chief Hille joined the meeting via Zoom.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman 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.

Chairman 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. Chairman St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

SECRETARY’S REPORT

- Fund Balances as of August 31st, 2023

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- September 11th, 2023 BOC Regular Meeting Minutes

CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL

Claims Requests Fire	\$	9,867.90
Claims Requests EMS	\$	<u>280.80</u>
Total Claims	\$	10,148.72

CORRESPONDANCE

CHIEF’S REPORT – None

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Annexation

FC Hille told the board that he spoke with the City of Yakima and they had mentioned that this should be looked at with a higher potential of an annexation. Commissioner Riel mentioned that in the meeting last week at Station 95 in Yakima there aren’t any other districts interested in joining an RFA with Yakima.

- Levy Lid Lift

Commissioner Riel explained to the board that there is no new business regarding the Levy Lid Lift but that the Department will have the budget workshop next week to discuss any further concerns.

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT - None

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- DC Lamoureux EFO Program

DC Lamoureux mentioned to the board that after 3 years of it being closed, the EFO Program (Executive Fire Officer) will be opening January 1st, 2024. DC Lamoureux would like to attend the 2-year program and FC Hille is working on a letter of recommendation. Chairman St.

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Mary made a motion to approve the request as submitted. Commissioner Riel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- Department Overtime

DC Lamoureux informed everyone that he ran the numbers for OT and as of September we are at \$132,370 and the department is forecasting adding another \$48,405 by the end of the year. The overtime being worked has put the department \$40,775 over budget while having one employee on light duty and not a lot of vacation taken. FC Hille and DC Lamoureux informed the board that the department has 3 different budgets to look at without the SAFER Grant and that they will be discussed at the budget workshop on October 3rd, 2023.

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

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

NEXT SPECIAL MEETING – Tuesday, September 26th, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

NEXT SPECIAL MEETING – Tuesday, October 3rd, 2023 at 8:30 am.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, October 9th, 2023 at 3:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business Chairman St. Mary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 pm. Commissioner Riel seconded. Meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.



Chairman Ben St. Mary



Vice-Chairman Les Riel



~~Open Commissioner Position~~
Commissioner Tyler Brandt

Attest:

OUT OF OFFICE UNTIL 10/02/23
District Secretary Katelynn Hogan