

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

The meeting will be held 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 Ray Lamoureux, Deputy Fire Chief Chris Munson, Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost, Lieutenant Chris Robillard and Firefighters Josh Centenari, Collyn Stafford and Jay Cruz. District Secretary Katelynn Roberts remains out on maternity leave.

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 asked that new business be moved up before unfinished business to conduct the promotional and new hire pinning first., and that the Moxee Mural Project be added to new business as well. Commissioner Brandt made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT - None  
PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

- November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular BOC Meeting Minutes

**CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL**

Claims Requests FIRE	\$	1,055,958.93
Claims Requests EMS	\$	<u>711,863.92</u>
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,767,822.85</b>

**CORRESPONDANCE**

- YTCFD & EVFD Letter

**CHIEF'S REPORT – None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Resolution 2025-15 – Xfer of \$189,615.17 from CP to FIRE

Commissioner St. Mary made a motion to approve resolution 2025-15 for the transfer of \$189,615.17 from CP to FIRE for the 7<sup>th</sup> payment for the training tower containers.

- Resolution 2025-16 – Xfer of \$361,863.92 from APP to EMS

Commissioner Brandt made a motion to approve resolution 2025-16 for the transfer of \$361,863.92 from APP to EMS for partial payment of the ladder truck.

- Promotional Pinning

The department held the promotional pinning for all promoted Lieutenants and Battalion Chiefs. Firefighters Travis Young, Collyn Stafford, Kyle Knapp, Kevin Durand and Jack Wutzke were promoted to Lieutenants. Captains Keith Schrank, Ryan Evers and Blake Reeves were all promoted to Battalion Chiefs.

- New Hire Pinning

The department held the new hire pinning for the department's former volunteer firefighters that were hired as career staff, and the lateral new hires from other departments.

- Moxee Mural Project

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The East Valley Community Enhancement Association has proposed a potential mural project on the side of station 41 in Moxee. Chairman Riel made a motion to approve the mural project, depending on what the picture will be. Commissioner St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Union Gap MOU

The commissioners gave a date of January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, for the deadline for an agreement on the UD MOU. Commissioner St. Mary made a motion to approve the deadline date. Commissioner Brandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2026-2031 Strategic Plan

FC Lamoureux will hold the strategic plan until the regular board of commissioner's meeting on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Chairman Riel informed everyone that the WFCA is coming to an agreement to hire Tori Pettis. Chairman Riel will also take office on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

FC Lamoureux informed everyone that all 3 of the Yakima Fire Department applicants backed out of the process after being given the positions. The department hired 7 internal candidates who were previous volunteers, and 5 lateral firefighters.

The gas line for the training tower behind station 40 along with the conduit. After January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 Symtech will finish inside.

The department would like to thank Firefighters Lars Enger and Nthan Sisson for completing the painting of the conference room at station 40.

December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 the department will be ready to have County IT set up the computers at Union Gap. The career staff have been training on the Union Gap trucks.

The ladder truck is in progress but will not be in a two-tone paint like the other engines. The company does not have a facility big enough for the job. Lieutenant CJ Erickson has a contact in Yakima that can do the painting job. City Manager Greg Cobb said the city of Union Gap will pay half. FC Lamoureux will have an update on the timeline by the next meeting.

The tactical tender 41 will be delivered to station 40 by the end of January. The dodge is having the wrap taken off as well, and the department will not be using the Auto Spa carwash anymore due to the damage it has done to the vehicles.

FC Lamoureux informed the board that he received the HLA site plan back and the next C-Shift date he will meet with Lieutenant Chris Robillard to talk about next steps.

**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, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 3:30 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

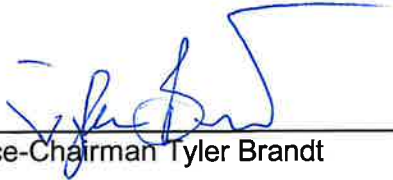
There being no other business Chairman Riel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:42 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Les Riel

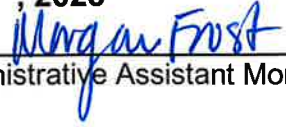
Commissioner Ben St. Mary

Attest:

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Vice-Chairman Tyler Brandt



Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost