

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 4  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

The meeting convened at 4:00 pm at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present were Commissioner Les Riel, Commissioner David Ramynke, Commissioner Ben St. Mary, and Admin Director Huitt. Fire Chief Mark Emery had an excused absence.

Chairman Riel called the meeting to order and conducted the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as amended and the meeting continued.

**LIMITED OPEN PUBLIC INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA – Public comment for items that are on the agenda are allowed as the item comes up for discussion during the meeting. Please stand and be recognized by the Chair and limit your comments to three minutes.**

Chairman Riel noted no public was present and the meeting continued.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Secretary Huitt I

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

a. July 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Vice Chairman Ramynke made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. Seconded and carried.

**CLAIMS REQUEST APPROVAL**

a. Claims Request Fire \$31,201.94 – Approved

b. Claims Request EMS \$3,313.98 – Approved

Vice Chairman Ramynke made a motion to approve the Claims Request in the amount of \$34,515.92. Seconded and carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

a. Confirmation received from WFCA on Fall Conference registrations.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Resignation received from PLT Goldsmith.

Secretary Huitt confirmed that all equipment and uniforms had been turned in and the Board accepted PLT Goldsmith's resignation.

b. MOU's – Update

Secretary Huitt let the board know that Chief Emery contacted the Union President and EVFD's Representative requesting a meeting to review the MOU's. We are waiting on a date to be set for the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. WFCA Management Excellence Award

Secretary Huitt confirmed with Sandy that tables are only reserved for those districts submitting a 2018 Management Excellence Award questionnaire. The Board suggested we submit one for 2019, but it's too late this year to get it started for the 2018 submission.

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**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Chairman Riel attended the Yakima County Fire Commissioners Association Meeting in the Nile. Gary Burt from DNR spoke about No Man's Land and the different ideas they are looking at. Single source ambulance information was presented by Yakima County EMS.

**CHIEF'S BRIEF - None**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – None**

**GENERAL DISCUSSION – Limited between Board and Staff – NO PUBLIC INPUT**

The Board would like Chief Emery to review the structure fire from August 11<sup>th</sup> and write a letter to the Yakima County Commissioners regarding amount of loss and the timing of the requested county investigator.

The Board would also like a letter sent to Yakima County EMS in favor of the single source ambulance by Chief Emery if it has not already been done.

The Board requested updates on the Training Director position and firefighter position. Secretary Huitt detailed the background investigation is going well and all of the contingencies have been passed for the Training Director position so the start date is set for 9/3. The background has just begun and none of the contingencies have been evaluated yet for the Firefighter position and the tentative start date is 9/20. Both are local candidates.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 4:00 pm.**

**SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS**

The documents were presented to the Board for their signature.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business Chairman Riel adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.



Chairman Les Riel



Vice-Chairman David Ramynke



Commissioner Ben St. Mary

Attest:

  
District Secretary Jenifer S Huitt