

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING/BUDGET HEARING
October 31ST, 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, Commissioner Tyler Brandt, Fire Chief Dale Hille, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux, District Secretary Katelynn Roberts, Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost, Lieutenant CJ Erickson and Firefighters Travis Young, Collyn Stafford and Jack Wutzke.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ben St. Mary lead in the pledge of allegiance.

REVIEW 2024 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

FC Hille presented and discussed the 2024 Preliminary Budget to the board of Commissioners.

OPENING OF 2024 BUDGET HEARING

Chairman St. Mary opened the budget hearing at 3:22 for any and all public comment

DISCUSSION OF FIRE BUDGET (5 MINUTES)

At 3:22 pm Chairman St. Mary announced that there would be 5 minutes for anyone from the public to add any comments or concerns regarding the FIRE budget. After no public input, Chairman St. Mary closed the discussion for the FIRE budget at 3:27 pm.

DISCUSSION OF EMS BUDGET (5 MINUTES)

At 3:28 pm Chairman St. Mary announced that there would be 5 minutes for anyone from the public to add any comments or concerns regarding the EMS budget. After no public input, Chairman St. Mary closed the discussion for the EMS budget at 3:33 pm.

RECONVENE SPECIAL MEETING

Chairman St. Mary closed the budget hearing at 3:33p.m. and the special meeting continued.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

FC Hille informed the board that the Department did not receive the SAFER Grant (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) for 2024 with which they had hoped to hire 3 career firefighters. The Department will apply for the grant again next year.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **2023-01 Resolution Levy Amount \$3,500,00.00**
- b. **2023-02 Resolution Increase Property Tax/Substantial Need up to 105%**
- c. **2023-03 Refund Levy**
- d. **2023-04 District Secretary**
- e. **2023-05 Investment Pool**
- f. **2023-06 Auditing Officers**
- g. **2023-07 WFCA Interlocal Health Care**
- h. **Tax Levy Request Certification**
- i. **2023-08 EMS Refund Levy**

Commissioner Riel mad a motion to approve items A through I as submitted. Chairman St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

j. Adopt 2024 FIRE Budget

Commissioner Riel made a motion to adopt the 2024 FIRE Budget as submitted. Chairman St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

k. Adopt 2024 EMS Budget

Commissioner Brandt made a motion to adopt the 2024 EMS Budget as submitted. Commissioner Riel seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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COMMISSIONERS REPORT - None

GENERAL DISCUSSION - None

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business Chairman St. Mary made a motion to adjourn at 3:42 pm. Commissioner Riel seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, November 13th, 2023 at 3:30 pm.



Chairman Ben St. Mary



Commissioner Tyler Brandt



Vice-Chairman Les Riel

Attest :



District Secretary Katelynn M. Roberts