# YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING JUNE 26th, 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 Riel, Commissioner David Ramynke, Fire Chief Dale Hille and Deputy Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux, District Secretary Katelynn Hogan and Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost.

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

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner 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.

Commissioner 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. Commissioner Ramynke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

# **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Fund Balances as of May 31st, 2023

# PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES - None CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL

Total Claims	\$ 7.981.33
Claims Requests EMS	\$ 0.00
Claims Requests Fire	\$ 7,981.33

#### CORRESPONDANCE

2023 Wage & Benefit Survey

# CHIEF'S REPORT – Attached

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

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Annexation

FC Hille will have a meeting June 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm with Seth Otto about receiving more information on the threat of an annexation. FC Hille and DC Lamoureux are still planning on getting together to come up with a strategic plan to present. No final decisions are to be made at this time. Commissioner Riel also informed the department that there will be a WFCA meeting the same day at 11:00am.

Levy Lid Lift

DC Lamoureux brought up what it would look like if the Levy Lid Lift doesn't pass.

DCIP Grant

DC Lamoureux explained to the board that he missed the deadline and that he needs to figure out what details are needed for round 1.

Member Recognition

FC Hille stated that there are current/past 258 members and to sort through and contact all of them is too extraneous. Moving forward the department will be recognizing Volunteer FFs after

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their one-year probationary period in good standing with EVFD, 5 years, and 25+ years with an axe if all were done with EVFD.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

NFA – National Fire Academy

DC Lamoureux has not been accepted yet, if accepted he would like the approval from the board to go. DC Lamoureux moved the date to August 8<sup>th</sup> due to HAW. The Board of Commissioners approved.

### **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

WFCA zoom board meeting will be June 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. July 8<sup>th</sup> will be an executive board meeting.

### **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

FC Hille brought up to the board that the department has been discussing moving away from offering a zoom option unless the Commissioners are traveling and request one, which the board agreed with. FC Hille also informed the board that he has not heard anything back from Brian Snure on the meeting July 18<sup>th</sup> for the RFA in person discussion. DC Lamouruex announced the fire hydrant painting project is progressing well and that members of the public have called to express their gratitude for all the districts hard work.

# SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

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

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING** – Monday, July 10th, 2023 at 3:30 pm.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business Commissioner Riel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 pm. Commissioner Ramynke seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Chairman Ben St. Mary

Vice-Chairman Les Riel

Commissioner David Ramynke

Attest:

District Secretary Katelynn Hogar