

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 24th, 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, Fire Chief Dale Hille, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux, District Secretary Katelynn Hogan and Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost. Commissioner David Ramynke had an excused absence.

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.

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. Chairman St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

SECRETARY’S REPORT

- Fund balances as of June 30th, 2023

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- May 30th, 2023 Special BOC Meeting Minutes
- June 12th, 2023 Regular BOC Meeting Minutes
- June 26th, 2023 Regular BOC Meeting Minutes
- July 10th, 2023 Regular BOC Meeting Minutes

CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL

Claims Requests Fire	\$	16,189.09
Claims Requests EMS	\$	27,950.03
Total Claims	\$	44,139.12

CORRESPONDANCE

- AMR invoice for Q2 renting space for ambulances May - July

CHIEF’S REPORT – A Shift Attached

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Annexation

FC Hille informed the board that he spoke to Attorney Seth Otto and they will be meeting Thursday August 3rd, 2023 in the afternoon and other than that he has not heard anything new from the City of Yakima.

- Levy Lid Lift

FC Hille informed the board that he has the timeline together and per the schools Superintendent the schools are doing their Levy in February of 2024 in conjunction with the bond. FC Hille also informed the board that in the County Chiefs’ monthly meeting it came up that the Sheriff’s office is running their 2/10 tax percentage for a new radio and tower system in February of 2024 as well and are looking for support from fire disticts which would collect around \$9 million per year. FC Hille mentioned that fire is supporting the Sheriff’s office but says fire does not need

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a new radio system at this time. Commissioner Riel agrees that August 2024 would be the best time for the district to run the Levy Lid Lift.

- Action Decision Request 2023 – 06 for the purchase of a new District Computer Server for the amount of \$10,049.52

Commissioner Riel made a motion to approve the Action Decision Request as submitted. Chairman St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- Awarding Brush Truck Bid

FC Hille informed the board that the Brush Truck Bid documents are out and we have received one bid packet so far. Friday July 28th, 2023 at 5:00 pm will be the deadline for packets to be turned in. The bid packets will be opened on Monday July 31st, 2023 at 9:00 am. The Department has scheduled a Special BOC Meeting on Tuesday August 1st, 2023 for opening the bid packets. FC Hille informed the board that the commissioners can attend the opening of the bid packets but are not required to be there. The Department will need a minimum of two commissioner at the meeting the following day at 3:30 pm for awarding of the bid.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT - None

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Hydrant Painting Project

DC Lamouruex informed the board that the City of Moxee fire hydrant painting project is finished as of Monday July 24th, 2023. DC Lamouruex also informed the board that ACE Distribution will be retesting their hydrant flow with a fire pump and that he needs to contact Alexandria Moulding to ask if they have a fire pump available to be able to retest hydrant flow on their private system. The Department also has about a dozen hydrants in the County that are still awaiting confirmation. The Department plans to keep the summer maintenance help through September as planned and due to multiple projects needing completed at Station 41.

- Brian Snure RFA Seminar

Commissioner Riel asked FC Hille and DC Lamouruex if two or three entities formed an RFA, another District or City can join at a later date. The Chiefs explained that they can as long as they go in and update the planning documents. DC Lamouruex also stated that when other entities join an existing RFA that it does not have to be close proximity rather a reasonable operational response time to incidents. FC Hille also informed the board that the City of Yakima will pay up to \$1,500 of the Snure seminar on RFA's invoice.

- New District Logo

FC Hille presented a new District logo design to the board that ties the district more to it's community which will match the logos on the engines as well. The board approved and the Department will move forward with the change.

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

Due to more than one Commissioner attending the meeting in person, district documents were approved and signed after the meeting.

NEXT SPECIAL MEETING – Tuesday August 1st, 2023 at 3:30 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, August 14th, 2023 at 3:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business Chairman St. Mary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:03 pm. Meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm.

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Chairman Ben St. Mary




Vice-Chairman Les Riel

Resigned 08/10/2023

Commissioner David Ramynke

Attest:



District Secretary Katelynn Hogan