



East County Fire and Rescue

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Regular Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting August 20, 2024

Station 91

6:30 PM

Approved Minutes

Attendance

Martha Martin

Mike Taggart

Joshua Seeds

Steve Hofmaster

Brendan Addis

Chief Ed Hartin

Assistant Chief Jacobs

Debbie Macias

John Prasch

Call to Order

Chairperson Joshua Seeds called the meeting to order at 18:30. This meeting was conducted in hybrid in-person/video conference format.

Flag Salute

Captain John Prasch led the flag salute.

Agenda Adjustments

Consent Agenda

- Approval of August 06, 2024 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of August 06, 2024 Local BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of August 08, 2024 Commissioner Staff Workshop Minutes.
- Approval of Financial Transactions.
- Excuse absent Commissioner(s).

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input

No comments.

Correspondence

None.

Staff Reports

1. Chief Hartin's report is in the meeting packet.
2. Assistant Chief Jacobs gave his report; a copy is in the meeting packet.
3. Assistant Chief Jacobs reported that per the safety committee there was no accident/incident since the last board meeting.

Fire District Business

Acceptance of Department of Homeland Security Fire Prevention and Safety Grant. **Motion by Commissioner Martin** approve the Acceptance of the Department of Homeland Security Fire Prevention and Safety Grant \$30,000.00 (\$28,572.00 federal funds and \$1,428.00 district match), **seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.**

Committee Meetings

1. Communication with neighboring elected officials.
 - City of Camas, October 22, 2024 at 3:00 PM at Station 91.
 - City of Washougal, November 21, 2024 at 3:00 PM at City Hall.
2. Risk Group, TBA.
3. East County Ambulance Advisory Board (ECAAB), TBA.
4. Safety Meeting September 25, 2024 at Station 91 at 7:30 PM.

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Addis – Asked about Open Public Meeting Act class information. Board Secretary told him she would get together with him after the meeting. He also asked about maps.

Commissioner Martin – Asked for a thumb drive to be left in her mailbox so she can load Open House pictures onto it sooner rather than later.

Commissioner Taggart – Sad he will be missing the Open House this year.

Commissioner Seeds – Grateful for the rain we just had and wanted to thank all the voters for passing the lid lift.

Public Input

None.

Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters and Reserve Officers

No new business.

Upcoming Meetings

- Review of the district's monthly event calendar.
- Regular Board meeting will be September 03, 2024 Station 91 at 6:30 pm. – Hybrid format.
- Strategic planning workshop September 05, 2024 Station 91 at 3:00 pm. – Hybrid format.

Both the strategic planning workshop and regular board meeting will be in hybrid format permitting in-person or video conference participation. The link for video conference participation is provided on the district's website (www.ecfr.us).

Executive Session

RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.

The Board went into executive session at 19:15 for 15 minutes, to return at 19:30.

Commissioner Addis came out to let the Board Secretary know that they would be extending the Executive session for 10 minutes to return at 19:40. The Board Secretary announced that it would be extending.

Commissioner Seeds came out to let the Board Secretary know that they would be extending the Executive session for 5 minutes to return at 19:45. The Board Secretary announced that it would be extending.

The Board reconvened at 19:45.

No action taken.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Martin to adjourn at 19:47, seconded by Commissioner Taggart. Motion passed unanimously.



Joshua Seeds, Chairperson



Michael Taggart, Vice Chair



Steve Hofmaster, Commissioner



Martha Martin, Commissioner



Brendan Addis, Commissioner

Attest



Debbie Macias, District Secretary
Ed Hartin, Chief (Alternate)

