

East County Fire and Rescue

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Regular Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting September 03, 2024

Station 91 6:30 PM Approved Minutes

Attendance

Martha Martin

Steve Hofmaster

Assistant Chief Jacobs

Opal Seeds

Mike Taggart

Brendan Addis

Debbie Macias

Station 91 Duty Crew

Joshua Seeds

Chief Ed Hartin

Zach Allen

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

Commissioner Hofmaster led the flag salute.

Agenda Adjustments

Consent Agenda

- Approval of August 20, 2024 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of August 20, 2024 Local BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of Financial Transactions.
- Excuse absent Commissioner(s).

Motion by Commissioner Martin to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Taggart. 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

- 1. Chief Hartin formerly announced his plan to retire at the end of 2024.
- 2. Chief Hartin gave the board an update on the Accountability and Financial Audit. He let them know the staff was working on it and it was going smoothly at this time.
- Adopt Budget Calendar for the 2025 budget. Motion by Commissioner Hofmaster to adopt the budget calendar for the 2025 budget, seconded by Commissioner Martin. 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 – Commented that he had learned about Chief Hartin through Commissioner Seeds and appreciated all his work even before he was a commissioner.

Commissioner Martin – Let the board know she gave Open House 2024 pictures to Board Secretary to post. She thought the open house was well attended and fun.

Commissioner Taggart – Asked Commissioner Addis if moving the Commissioner/Staff Workshop Meeting back to Wednesday would work out for him now. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Hofmaster – Mentioned that the open house was great and he was proud of Chief Hartin as a person.

Commissioner Seeds – Also mentioned that the open house was great. He was able to talk with a lot of citizens. He also mentioned that Klamath District 3 is having some financial struggles. Discussion ensued.

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 inperson or video conference participation. The link for video conference participation is provided on the district's website (www.ecfr.us).

Executive Session

Cancelled, as they did not need to be held at this time.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Martin to adjourn at 19:23, seconded by Commissioner Taggart. Motion passed unanimously.

Joshua Seeds, Chairperson

Martha Martin, Commissioner

Brendan Addis, Commissioner

DocuSigned by:

Mike Taggart

Michael Taggart, Vice Chair

Steve Hofmaster, Commissioner

SEPTEMBER 03, 2024 REGULAR BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Attest

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

