

East County Fire and Rescue

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Regular Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting June 18, 2024

Station 91 6:30 PM Approved Minutes

Attendance

Martha Martin
Steve Hofmaster
Assistant Chief Jacobs

Mike Taggart

Brendan Addis

Debbie Macias

Joshua Seeds

Chief Ed Hartin

John Prasch

Call to Order

Chairperson Joshua Seeds called the meeting to order at 18:33. This meeting was conducted in hybrid in-person/video conference format.

Flag Salute

Commissioner Addis led the flag salute.

Agenda Adjustments

Motion by Commissioner Seeds to change the stipends on the consent agenda under Commissioner Hofmaster from two to three for attending the City of Washougal Meeting on June 3, 2024, seconded by Commissioner Martin to change the stipends on the consent agenda under Commissioner Hofmaster from two to three for attending the City of Washougal Meeting on June 3, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of June 04, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of June 04, 2024 Local BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of June 06, 2024 Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of Financial Transactions.
- Excuse absent Commissioner(s).

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve the amended consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Martin. 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 one accident/incident since the last board meeting.

Fire District Business

- Approval of purpose, scope and policy for SOG 1.3.9 Financial Reserves. Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve SOG 1.3.9 Financial Reserves, seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Approval of purpose, scope and policy for SOG 1.3.4 Travel and Training Expense and Reimbursement. **Motion by Commissioner Martin** to approve SOG 1.3.4 Travel and Training Expense and Reimbursement, **seconded by Commissioner Addis. Motion passed unanimously.**

Committee Meetings

- 1. Communication with neighboring elected officials.
 - City of Camas, July 23, 2024 at 3:00 PM at City Hall.
- 2. City of Washougal, August 5, 2024, at 3:00 PM at City Hall
- 3. Risk Group, TBA.
- 4. East County Ambulance Advisory Board (ECAAB), June 26, 2024 at 5:00 PM at Station 42.
- 5. Safety Meeting, July 23, 2024 Station 91 at 7:30 PM.

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Martin mentioned the accident that happened in front of Commissioner Seeds home. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Martin mentioned that some of the people who attended the Camas Washougal Port meeting about annexation were not happy about their plans. She also asked the Board's approval to get a stipend for attending the meeting as a representative of the district. The Board approved the stipend.

Commissioner Taggart said his house sold and that he would like to finish out his term even though he will be living out of the district if that is ok with the rest of the Board. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Seeds also spoke about the accident that occurred in front of his house and how important it is to have Station 94 staffed when possible. 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 July 02, 2024 Station 91 at 6:30 pm. Hybrid format.
- Strategic planning workshop July 11, 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 (<u>www.ecfr.us</u>).

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.

RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g): To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

The Board went into executive session at 19:30 for 20 minutes, to return at 19:50.

Commissioner Taggart came out to let the Board Secretary know they were extending for 15 minutes. Board Secretary announced that the board would be extending executive session or 15 minutes until 20:05.

The Board reconvened at 20:05.

No action taken.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Martin to adjourn at 20:06, seconded by Commissioner Taggart. Motion passed unanimously.

Joshua Seeds, Chairperson

Martha Martin, Commissioner

Michael Taggart, Vice Chair

Steve Hofmaster, Commissioner

Brendan Addis, Commissioner

Attest

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