EAST COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE

REGULAR BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

September 20, 2022 Station 91 6:30 PM

ApprovedMinutes

ATTENDANCE:

Martha Martin Sherry Petty Robert Jacobs Station 94 Duty Crew

Mike Taggart Steve Hofmaster Debbie Macias

Joshua Seeds Mike Carnes Station 91 Duty Crew

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Martha Martin called the meeting to order at 18:34 via Zoom Meeting. Commissioner Martin led the Flag salute.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of September 06, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes Approval of September 06 2022 Local BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes Approval of September 07, 2022 Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes Approval of September 13, 2022 Special Meeting 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.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Email from Larry Bartel- Invitation to SWFC dinner in Kelso. Discussion ensued.

STAFF REPORT:

Chief Carnes report; a copy is in the packet.

Assistant Chief Jacobs gave his report as follows:

DOC training will be held on November 11, 2022.

August EST/Tender training was on August 22, 2022.

September EST/Tender training will be on September 27, 2022 at Station 93 at 7:00 PM

Squad 91 will go in for its annual service after rains begin, we will change the radio mounting to match Squad 94.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION:

Nothing new to report. We can start up again as soon as the last of the emergency State of emergency is lifted at the end of October.

SAFETY REPORT:

- Last Safety Committee meeting held on June 30, 2022.
- Next Safety Committee meeting September 22, 2022 at Station 91 at 7:30 PM.
- No reported accidents/incidents since the last board meeting.

FIRE DISTRICT BUSINESS:

Set date for entrance meeting for State Auditor

Debbie Macias let the board know that the State Auditor is looking to schedule the entrance meeting. She shared an email with the date the auditor prefers. Commissioner Martin and Commissioner Hofmaster would be attending that meeting on October 13, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

Commissioner Conference Details

Chief Carnes let the Board know that we are looked at the budget for airline tickets and we did not budget specifically for this we do have funds available once the amended budget is completed.

Commissioner Martin asked who was going to conference. As of now, it will be Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Taggart and Commissioner Hofmaster along with Debbie Macias and Pam Jensen.

The Board approved for everyone to fly. Debbie Macias will make the arrangements. Discussion ensued.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

<u>Communication with Neighboring Elected Officials</u> City of Camas – October 25, 2022 City Hall at 2:00 PM

City of Washougal -TBA

Risk Group

TBA - October 5, 2022 at 8:00 AM.

Safety Committee Representative

September 22, 2022 at 7:30 PM Station 91.

Revenue Exploratory Committee

TBA

ECAAB

TBA – Nothing has changed since the last Board Meeting.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Taggart commented that some of his neighbors were asking when the burn ban would be lifted; they are ready to start burning.

Commissioner Seeds commented that he continues to see news about fluorine in firefighting foam and, how they are getting away from it and fluorinated compounds. Looks like there are some major lawsuits going on with suing manufactures of turnouts. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Martin reiterated that the pictures from the Open House are in and Pam Jensen has them to post on the Website.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

No Comments

LOCAL BOARD FOR VOLUNTEER F/F & RESERVE OFFICERS:

No new business.

ROUND TABLE:

Monthly Event Calendar

Strategic Planning Workshop Meeting October 05, 2022 at Station 91 at 3:00 PM and via Zoom – Hybrid version

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment

The Board went into executive session at 19:08 for 30 minutes.

The meeting was extended for twenty minutes at 19:40.

Meeting was extended for ten more minutes at 20:00.

Meeting was extended for ten more minutes at 20:02

The Board reconvened at 20:24.

No action with the exception of having a special meeting on September 27, 2022 at 5:30 PM at Station 91 and via zoom – hybrid version, which will include an Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Regular Board Meeting: October 04, 2022 at Station 91, 6:30 PM via Zoom – Hybrid version.

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to adjourn at 20:27, hours, seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.

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