# PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3 WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES January 17, 2023

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:31. A quorum was present with all Commissioners in attendance. Also in attendance were D/C Boltz, D/C McCurdy, A/C Adams, A/C Kelly, A/C Fiacchi, and A/C McGrady.

# **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Pledge of Allegiance

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Dalton motioned for approval of the agenda Commissioner Rankin motioned, Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously

# **PRESENTATION**

- Captain promotions
  - o Lisa Morin
  - o John Craig

Chief Sharp thanked everyone for coming tonight. Brought forward Lisa Morin and John Craig to the front. Read the letter of promotion and thanked them for their hard work. Deputy Chief Boltz presented their new red helmets. Lisa's Grandson presented her with her new red helmet.

Lisa's husband, Erik, pinned her with her new Captains badge. John's sons pinned him with his new badge.

Commissioners and Staff congratulated both Lisa and John on their new promotions.

Adjourned at 5:45 for pictures

Called meeting back to order at 5:45.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Minutes of December 06, 2022. Warrants #67311 through 67399 totaling \$442,452.15. Warrants #67400 through #67484 totaling \$629,577.07. Warrants #67485 through #67527 totaling \$121,342.74. Finance report ending November 30, 2022.

All approved unanimously

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** –Chris Hannon, a citizen, reviewed his history in University Place and his work history. Thanked the Chief and Director Wick for all the information he has received from them. Reviewed the recent prop that was brought to the citizens regarding the police department which failed. Discussed the tax rate and stated it was 50% higher than every other fire district. Reviewed the reserves and tax rate. Stated West Pierce has the highest tax rate compared to other districts around us. Stated in the last five years, revenues have outpaced call volume and the cost of living. Wants to make sure during our Levy that these rates are improved.

Chair Dalton thanked Mr. Hannon for his comments.

#### **NEW BUSINESS - none**

# STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents D/C Boltz briefed the Board on the recent incidents
  - o Fatality fire recently. Small fire which crews knocked down quickly.
- Chiefs Report Chief Sharp
  - 15 recruits started academy. 7 from medic school will join them for academy with a total of 22.

- New mechanic hired. Had to let one go. Started today and excited to have him on board.
- AmeriCorps volunteer was recently chosen. Aidan Rotondo will be filling the rest of the vacancy. Aidan was also a graduate of the 2022 youth Academy.
- Community activities: LPD Chief interviews. Hope to have a new chief announced this month.
- December 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> hosted Santa at the Station. Lots of community involvement.
   Lakewood Christmas tree lighting. Nice to see everyone come out and engage with the community.
- Commissioner Committee updates: Copy given to each commissioners to show the committees they are on. SS911 Board alternate is Chief Sharp. Any changes let Tammy know. Commissioner Clancy will serve on the Levy Committee. Will access the committees and weigh which committee Commissioner Durr could help in.
- Quarterly Report included in the Board packet. Lots of activities with hiring and seasonal events.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- West Pierce Emergency Management Inter-local Agreement D/C McCurdy briefed the Board on the agreement that has been revised. All the changes and updates made were included in the red lined copy. Updates and all changes were part of the packet. Addresses how all parties will share cost. In a major disaster it is better to lay out how cities will share cost. CERT and Emergency Management has had a role in helping during the King Tide at Day Island and have been filling Sandbags.
- Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve the West Pierce Emergency Management interlocal Agreement. Commissioner Sheeran motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS**

- **Commissioner Rankin** Busy with the holidays. SS911 has new Board members and will be bringing them up to date. February 17<sup>th</sup> is Legislative Day
- Commissioner Clancy Congrats to Lisa Morin and John Craig
- Commissioner Sheeran Congrats to Lisa Morin and John Craig
- Chair Dalton Dittoed the comments of everyone. Thanked Chris Hannon for coming. Looking forward to the New Year.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

• There being nothing further to bring to the Board, Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:04.

Next meeting: February 07, 2023 @ 5:30 Station 31

Tammy Lamb, District Clerk

Bart Dalton, Board Chair

Koree Wick, District Secretary