

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 21, 2023

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:30. A quorum was present with Commissioner Sheeran excused. Also in attendance were D/C Boltz, D/C McCurdy, A/C Adams, A/C Kelly, A/C Fiacchi, A/C Hebeisen, and A/C McGrady.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Dalton asked for a motion to approve agenda Commissioner Clancy motioned, Commissioner Rankin seconded. All approved unanimously.

PRESENTATION

- Citizen Award – Tyler Harrington – Chief Sharp called Tyler Harrington to the front. Tyler was on scene of an accident. He maintained control of the patient's cervical spine. He continued to support the patient and was helpful in the success of getting the patient out from a vehicle which was on its side. Patient was transported to the hospital and is doing well. Without your actions the outcome could have been much different. Presented a plaque for his Public Safety. WPFR is so thankful for Tyler and his service to this community.
- Captain Darren Cole- Retirement – Chief Sharp brought Captain Darren Cole forward and read the proclamation. Captain Cole was presented his retirement plaque. Staff, commissioners and all in attendance thanked Captain Cole for his hard work and 30 years of service to West Pierce Fire & Rescue.

Chair Dalton recessed the meeting for five minutes to take pictures at 5:40

Chair Dalton call the meeting back to order at 5:45.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes of March 07, 2023. Warrants #68035 through #68114 totaling \$433,077.30. Warrants #68115 through #68152 totaling \$507,262.90. Finance report ending February 28, 2023. February 2023 Alarm Summary.

All Commissioners approved unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE - None

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

NEW BUSINESS

- First reading of SOG 2010 – Chief Sharp – briefed the Board on the changes of the SOG 2010 which is Employment testing. Reviewed any questions the Board had. Board received the revisions in the Board packet and changes were highlighted. Changes to testing, and employees, and Youth Academy who pass the test will be given an oral interview. Action will be taken at the March 21, 2023 meeting.

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents – A/C Hebeisen
 - House Fire in Tillicum in an abandoned building that was getting ready to be torn down. Value of the structure is not much but making sure no one is inside is invaluable. Defensive fire and depending on the risk fire is put out or at times may burn down completely.

- Chiefs Report – Chief Sharp
 - Bond Planning has not heard from the recent property owner of a property currently being researched. At this point based on timelines we will not be recommending to the Board to go out for a Bond. Primary election will not have a Bond plan. Levy presentation will be April 4, 2023.
 - Hiring strategies. We will have a fall academy and also a January academy. Help with the large hiring. Target audience is paramedics. Changed the strategy to an ongoing open recruitment. Open recruitment has brought in 16 candidates. Recruitment team has done great job promoting this program. Been To Central Washington, TCC, and are going to be going to Portland also. More to follow.
 - CERT 48 graduated over the weekend. Nice that CERT is back on track.
 - Prevention has a new program for the High Schools. Mock DUI will no longer be done. We are getting into the classrooms and now offering a class on distractive driving. This has been well received.
 - WPFR gone brand new department coins. Credit to A/C Fiacchi. Captain Lisa Morin got these going and did an amazing job of getting the logo and color schemes. Coins look amazing.
 - Staff attended Clover Parks Rotary event at McGavick.
 - Upcoming is Lakewood Rotary event on Friday the 24th.

ACTION ITEMS

- Resolution #032123-001 – A Resolution declaring item surplus to the needs of the District – This vehicle has over 160,000 miles on it. It will be sent to the scrap yard. The air bags and the brakes are not safe.
Chair Dalton asked for motion to approve Resolution #032123-001. Commissioner Rankin motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.
- Resolution #032123-002 – Resolution authorizing certain EMS transport accounts to be written off in their entirety.-Chief Sharp briefed the Board on this resolution. Collections is not an option as there is no cost benefit. Cost effective is to write them off.
- **Chair Dalton asked for motion to approve Resolution #032123-002. Commissioner Durr motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.**

BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Rankin** – Webinar classes are being help for the Commissioners Association. Conference rooms are too expensive so they turned to webinars and had a great attendance. Looking at doing more webinars instead of a conference. Seems to be easier to do webinars. Board meeting for State Association is April 15, 2023. Nice to see a citizen award. Loves to see citizens when they step up. Nice to see the PR in the community. Thanked everyone for their hard work
- **Commissioner Clancy** – Nice to see the Citizen award. Congratulated Darren Cole for his 30 years. Nice to see the families and co-workers attend.
- **Commissioner Durr** – So nice to see the citizen award and for the kids to see their Dad get the award. Thanks for making it happen.
- **Chair Dalton** – Dittoed Kudos to Darren Cole. Thanked Captain Morin for the coins. Thanked Tyler for his citizen award. Nice to see his kids here

• ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to bring to the Board, Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:07.

Next meeting: April 04, 2023 @ 5:30 Station 31.



Tammy Lamb, District Clerk



Koree Wick, District Secretary



Bart Dalton, Board Chair