

**PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 19, 2022**

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:31p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said. A quorum was present with all Commissioners in attendance. Also in attendance were D/C Boltz, D/C McCurdy, A/C McGrady, A/C Hebeisen, A/C Adams, and Director Wick.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Dalton motioned for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Rankin motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Sheeran Seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

- Life Saving
 - Mark D. Sawyer – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the heroic actions of Mark Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer was driving his Amazon Prime vehicle when he notices a car driving radically. The vehicle collided with another vehicle and Mr. Sawyer jumped into action and helped the victims. The driver had a medical event and was taken from his vehicle and CPR was started. CPR was administered until the fire department was on scene. The actions of Mr. Sawyer saved the patient's life. Commissioners, Staff and family all were in attendance to thank him for his quick actions.
 - Charles Cameron Carter – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the quick actions of Mr. Carter. March 10, 2022 there was a residential fire and the homeowner was trying to jump from an embankment onto the train tracks below to get to the Puget Sound. Mr. Carter saw her and quickly ran to help her and block her from getting to the train tracks where a train was on its way. He stabilized her until firefighters could get to the scene and provide aid. Mr. Carter's actions helped to save a neighbors life. Commissioners, Staff, and family were in attendance to thank Mr. Carter for his quick actions.
- Administrative Professional's Day Proclamation – Chair Dalton read the proclamation for Administrative Professional's week. Thanked the Department for all their hard work.
- Matt Heller – MSO Promotion – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the hard work and promotion of Matt Heller to MSO. Read his letter of promotion. Matt's wife, Melissa, pinned Matt with his new badge.
- Evan Bratz – Captain Promotion – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the hard work and promotion of Evan Bratz to Captain. Read his letter of promotion. Evan's daughters and son, along with his wife, pinned Evan with his new badge. A/C Hebeisen presented Evan with his new red helmet. Commissioners and Staff congratulated Evan on his recent promotion.
- Jerry Hamilton – Captain Promotion - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the hard work and promotion of Jerry Hamilton to Captain. Read his letter of promotion. Jerry's wife, Jamie, pinned Jerry with his new badge. A/C Hebeisen presented Jerry with his new red helmet. Commissioners and Staff congratulated Jerry on his recent promotion.
- Nic Britton – Battalion Chief Promotion - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the hard work and promotion of Nic Britton to Battalion Chief. Read his letter of promotion. Nic's wife, Heather and their two daughters, pinned Nic with his new badge. A/C Hebeisen presented Nic with his new white helmet. Commissioners and Staff congratulated Evan on his recent promotion.
- Mark Giron – Battalion Chief Promotion - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the hard work and promotion of Mark Giron to Battalion Chief. Read his letter of promotion. Mark's wife, Rachel and their two daughters and son, pinned Mark with his new badge. A/C Hebeisen presented Mark with his new white helmet. Commissioners and Staff congratulated Mark on his recent promotion.
- Layne Bladow – Battalion Chief Promotion - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the hard work and promotion of Layne Bladow to Battalion Chief. Read his letter of promotion. Layne's friend, Shawn Lamb, pinned Layne with his new badge. A/C Hebeisen presented Layne with his new white helmet. Commissioners and Staff congratulated Layne on his recent promotion.

Chari Dalton adjourned the meeting at 5:52 to move the meeting into the Commissioners room at Station 31.

Chair Dalton called the meeting to order at 6:02.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisting of Board Minutes of March 15, 2022. Warrant #65243 through #65290 totaling \$70,841.29. Warrants #65291 through #65314 totaling \$30,775.75. Warrants #65315 through #65382 totaling \$511,198.21. Warrants #65394 through #65490 totaling \$443,782.26.

Consent Agenda approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from the City of Dupont Fire Department recognizing and thanking B/C Willy, EMS.
- Thank you letter from citizen for Medic 24, Engine 24, and Engine 22

CITIZEN COMMENTS - No comments at this time.

NEW BUSINESS – None

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents – A/C Chief Hebeisen commented on the recent incidents:
 - Fire at Bill's Boathouse on American Lake. Boathouse has long history out at the lake. Old building and fire was hot and burned to the ground. Cause is unknown.
 - Fireboat Endeavor during rough winds was dispatched to a call for a boat that was struggling under rough weather. Towed boat to safety and no injuries.
 - Dispatched to a patient unresponsive in car on Day Island. This was a signal 3 and is under investigation.
- Chiefs Report - Chief Sharp briefed the Board:
 - Briefed the Board on the recent Dept. of Ecology grant that was approved. DOE came back to us and fully funded the grant. \$85,700 for various Haz. Mat equipment, compressor and a weather station.
 - The Quarterly report was in the Board packet which highlights the last quarter. 20 new firefighters were hired, Data Analyst, Connected CARE position and a mechanic.
 - Promoted 3 new B/Cs to the North Battalion. This position was shut down at the merger and we are excited to have back in place.
 - Since 2014 we have hired 90 firefighters, which is about 60% of our workforce. Lots of new positions and promotions.
 - New apparatus put in place since the first of the year.

NEW BUSINESS - None

ACTION ITEMS

- Resolution #041922-002 – Resolution to declare the intent to reimburse capital expenditures, specifically those expended for the acquisition of property, evaluation, and potential site work for Station 32 from proceeds of future borrowings. – Director Wick briefed the Board on the search for property for Station 32. The funding once property is found would reimburse the Capital expenditures account.

Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve Resolution #041922-002. Commissioner Rankin motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.

- Resolution #041922-003 – Resolution necessary and required for the utilization of the LOCAL program for financing acquisition, evaluation and site work for the property for Station 32. – Director Wick briefed the Board on the need to apply for funding and the requirements. No site has been found chosen yet but looking in the area between the 6200-7500 block of Bridgeport Way. Nothing for sale in that area but reaching out to property owners.

Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve Resolution #041922-003. Commissioner Clancy motioned. Commissioner Rankin seconded. All approved unanimously.

- Resolution #0419+22-004 – Resolution authorizing certain EMS transport accounts to be written off in their entirety. – Director Wick commented on this resolution and the history of these accounts being written off twice a year.

Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve Resolution #041922-004. Commissioner Sheeran motioned. Commissioner Durr seconded. All approved unanimously.

- Request for Board Action to reject any or all bids received in response to the invitation for bids which closed on April 11, with bids opened on April 12, based upon a chance in circumstances. This bid was for the portable restroom trailers needed for the upcoming construction for Stations 21 & 20. There were no bids which fell under the bid requirements. WPFR will be sending out a new bid request to clarify all requirements.

Chair Dalton called for a motion to reject all bids for the restroom trailers. Commissioner Sheeran motioned. Commissioner Durr seconded. All approved unanimously.

- Cancel the May 03, 2022, Board of Commissioners meeting.

Chair Dalton motioned for approval of canceling the May 03, 2022, Board of Commissioners meeting.

Commissioner Durr motioned to approve. Commissioner Rankin seconded. All approved unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Durr** – Nice to see everyone in person again. Great event tonight with all the lifesaving awards and promotions. So glad we recognize our citizens. Big crowd tonight which was nice to see all the family support.
- **Commissioner Sheeran** – Dittoed Commissioner Durr's comments. So nice to be in person again.
- **Commissioner Clancy** – Echoed all the comments of Commissioner Durr and Sheeran.
- **Commissioner Rankin** – The State Association Board meeting is the 23rd. Thanked everyone for all the work on the promotions. Lots of history within the promotions and thanked everyone for their leadership.
- **Chair Dalton** – Dittoed all comments. Thanked everyone for their hard work. Looking forward to the face to face meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to bring to the Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:15.

Next Meeting: May 17, 2022 @ 5:30/in person with a Zoom option. Meeting for May 03, 2022, was motioned and seconded. Meeting is cancelled.



Tammy Lamb, District Clerk

Bart Dalton, Board Chair

Koree Wick, District Secretary