# PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3 WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES MAY 02, 2023

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

#### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

#### **PROCLAMATION**

 Nurses Week, May 6-12 – Chair Dalton presented Karen Gilbert with the Proclamation for Nurses Week. Thanked Karen for her hard work and dedication to this job. Karen thanked everyone for their support and has had 338 referrals already since she started a year ago.

#### **PRESENTATION**

- Retirement Captain Garret Smith Chief Sharp brought forward Captain Garret Smith. Chair Dalton read his proclamation and thanked him for his 38 years of service. Amazing career and he will be greatly missed, Chief Sharp present his plaque with his badge retirement. Commissioners and Staff congratulated Garret for his hard work.
- Captain Promotion Clint Jenkins Chief Sharp called forward Clint Jenkins. Read the letter of
  promotion and thanked Clint for stepping up into this role and looks forward to see him develop
  as an officer. Chief Hebeisen came forward and presented the red Captains helmet. His cousin,
  Shepherd, came forward and pinned Clint with this new Captains badge. Commissioners and
  Staff thanked and congratulated Clint on his promotion.

Chair Dalton recessed the meeting for ten minutes for pictures and to move the meeting to the Commissioners Room at 5:40.

Chair Dalton called the meeting back to order at 5:50

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Minutes of April 18, 2023. Warrants #68335 through #68504 totaling \$392,082.04. **All Commissioners approved unanimously.** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE** – None

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** – Chris Hannon thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to speak. He has reviewed the Levy Presentation and the information from Director Wick. Stated his opposition to the Levy. Briefed the Board on the increase in rates and how he feels it is out of line with the people struggling to meet ends meet. Briefed the Board on his opposition and intends to file a no campaign against the Levy. Comments were limited to three minutes.

# NEW BUSINESS

### STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents A/C Hebeisen briefed the Board on the Mill Fire which has suspicious circumstances. Two residential fires which were knocked down quickly. Call volume with Lithium batteries has increased. Working with Haz- Mat on this issue. No injuries in any of the calls.
- Chiefs Report Chief Sharp briefed the Board:
  - Interviews for Paramedics started today. Testing occurring which is 21candidates.
     September is the first academy which will be in the consortium. We will have a fall

- academy and then a six week academy in the winter. Four academies between now and the middle of February.
- Recruits being trained started live fire training in North Bend. Hands on training will begin next week. 21 currently in that academy.
- ARPA funding from the City of Lakewood. HAM radio site will be used for those funds.
   Operator helped to set that up and a training drill occurred on Saturday. Part of the Emergency Management plan.
- o Idlewild School egg drop science contest.
- o Prevention and CERT members were at the Y for Healthy Kids Day.
- o April 20 & 21st attended the LERA conference.
- o April 26th breakfast fundraiser for LASA.
- Lunch with Administration Staff. Appreciation Day for all the hard work of our Admin Dept.
- April 29<sup>th</sup> YWCA Glam that gives.
- Will be a part of the EFN repack on May 4th.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

Resolution #050223-003 – Resolution in order to place the four year Maintenance & Operations
Levy on the ballot in August- This presentation was at the Board meeting of April 04, 2023, where
Director Wick laid out the 2024-2027 Levy presentation and budget. April 18, 2024 any questions
or comments were answered.

Chair Dalton motioned for approval of Resolution #050223-003. Commissioner Clancy Motioned. Commissioner Rankin seconded. All approved unanimously.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS**

- Commissioner Rankin Out for four weeks with surgery. Thanked everyone for their hard work.
- **Commissioner Clancy** Congratulations to Clint Jenkins and Garret Smith for their retirement and promotions.
- Commissioner Sheeran Dittoed comments regarding Garret and Clint. Thanked everyone for their hard work.
- Chair Dalton Thanked everyone for their hard work and congratulated both Garret and Clint.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being nothing further to bring to the Board, Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:00.

Next meeting: May 16, 2023 @ 5:30 Station 31.

Tammy Lamb District Clerk

Koree Wick, District Secretary