

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 06, 2023

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:31. A quorum was present with Commissioner Sheeran and Commissioner Clancy excused. Also in attendance were D/C Boltz, 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 Durr motioned, Commissioner Rankin seconded. All approved unanimously.

PRESENTATION

- Retirement – Firefighter Daniel Brown- Chief Sharp called forward Dan Brown, Lynda Henderson and Todd Rhode. Chair Dalton read the proclamation. 85 years of service. Thanked all three of them for their service and dedication.
- Retirement – Captain Lynda Henderson – Presented plaque and thanked her for her service
- Retirement – Captain Todd Rohde – Presented plaque and thanked him for his service
- Engineer Promotion – Brianna Moore – Brought forward and read the letter of promotion. Ragan pinned Brianna with her new badge.
- Engineer Promotion – Victor Figueroa. Brought forward and read the letter of promotion. Victor's Dad, Javier pinned Victor with his new badge. Commissioners and staff congratulated them on their promotion.

Chair Dalton recessed the meeting at 5:40 for five minutes for pictures and to move to the Commissioners Room at Commissioner Dalton called the meeting back to order at 5:45.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes of May 02, 2023. Warrants #68596 through #68640 totaling \$180,189.78. Warrants #68641 through #68701 totaling \$144,447.10. Warrants #68702 through #68755 totaling \$700,462.17. Warrants #68776 through #68871 totaling \$411,148.62.
Finance Report ending April 30, 2023.

All Commissioners approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents – A/C Hebeisen briefed the Board:
 - Car accident with vehicle smashing into a building. Rescue techs responded.
 - Two alarm fire at the La Dobe apartments.
 - Float plane accident on Gravelly Lake in a resident's yard. Residents helped to get the pilot out of the plane.
 - House fire off of Olympic Drive.
 - Vehicle accidents on I-5. Semi -Truck over the overpass. Lots of activity lately on I-5 with accidents.
 - Its brush fire season and calls are increasing for brush fires

- Video Presentation – D/C McCurdy shared the video regarding the brush fire presentation from King 5. B/C Nelson was interviewed regarding the grassy areas which are at high risk to burn. Great interview by B/C Nelson. Many brush fires already and the season has just started.
- Grant was secured for Wildland Urban Interface and training has been occurring with all our firefighters. Brush rig is being worked on to help with the summer brush fires. Vehicle is under construction and hope to be here by the end of the month
- Chiefs Report – Chief Sharp
 - Open house was June 2, 2023 and it was the largest ever attended. Needed more hot dogs. Tons of smiling faces. Great event. Prevention Division did an amazing job putting this together.
 - Last Board meeting Levy was approved to be put on the ballot. All paperwork has been submitted to the County. Both the Yes and No committee has been submitted also.
 - Two candidates have filed for Position 3 as Commissioner Rankin is retiring. Both candidates will be on the November ballot
 - 16 recruits graduated last week. Biggest volume of WPFR employees. Last WPFR academy with only WPFR cadets. Moving on to shift this next month.
 - Ramping up for next academy in the fall. Additional academy will be in the winter.
 - 14 Paramedics have been provided job offers. 2 alternates. All are in the process of getting tests completed. Fingers crossed that we have 14 that show up the first day of academy.
 - 52 potential being interviewed this week for firefighters.
 - Winter academy is also being interviewed.
 - Battalion 31 was put in service on Friday. Previous vehicle has been put in reserve position and serve as backup for B/C rigs and the Squad vehicles or Safety officer position.
 - Final draft of the Monitor will be in the mail the middle of July.
 - New contract for Western State Hospital. Lower contract as 20% of the facility will be demolished. Less structure to contract for services.
 - New Police Chief in University Place Patrick Burke. Greg Premo has retired. Chief Burke has been with the Sheriff's dept. for 12 years. Looking forward to working with the new Chief
 - EFN food repack for Staff. Worked hard to help package food for the community.
 - May 31st was community in schools breakfast. Most of staff attended.
 - Special meeting in August discussion – Chief Sharp stated the first meeting would be cancelled for National Night Out. Third week of August staff will be attending a conference in Kansas City. Recommends a meeting for the 8th of August. No action tonight. Will bring an RFA to next meeting.

ACTION ITEMS - None

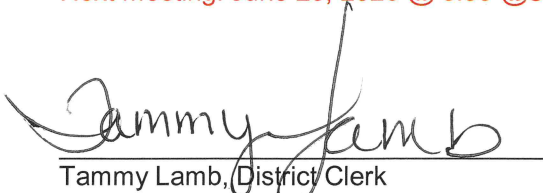
BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Rankin** – Surgery went well. Attended the Open House. Lots of people and nice to talk with everyone. Great day and thanked the staff for the event. Heavy Rescue Vehicle was nice to see. Nice to see the new vehicles. Department has come a long way. Training consortium is a great benefit. Thanked everyone for their hard work.
- **Commissioner Durr** – Always nice to see the promotions and retirements and how many attend. Thanked Staff for their hard work with recruitment and always looking ahead to the next academy and group.
- **Chair Dalton** – Dittoed all the comments. Congrats to everyone on their promotions and retirements. Hard to believe we have already had 40 brush fires. The ice cream party for Idlewild Elementary was amazing and the kids loved it. Great job by all.

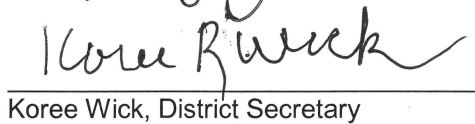
ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to bring to the Board, Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:10.

Next meeting: June 20, 2023 @ 5:30 @Station 21. Youth Academy Graduation



Tammy Lamb, District Clerk



Koree Wick, District Secretary



Bart Dalton, Board Chair