

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE.
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 18, 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 D/C McCurdy, A/C Adams, A/C Kelly, A/C Hebeisen, 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.

PRESENTATION

- Trader Joes Presentation and thank you – Chief Sharp called up Tony Wolfe and Jacob Levy and briefed the Board about Trader Joes and the partnership we have with them. Trader Joes is always stepping up and helping out at all events. Chief Sharp read the thank you letter and gave huge kudos to them for all their hard work and dedication to this community. We are so proud of this partnership and look forward to the future. Department coins were given to each of them. Captain Owens spoke about the partnership and how they are huge supporters of our programs. Briefed the Board on all the things Trader Joes does for us. The Safe Sitter program is so lucky to have Trader Joes and Tony as part of this program. Snacks are amazing and Tony really gets involved with each kid. Captain Owens briefed the Board on Tony's background as a volunteer firefighter and a Mountain bike Olympian. Tony is a great asset to our Safe Sitter program. WPFR appreciates all his hard work and help with our Safe Sitter program and the partnership. Tony Wolfe spoke and stated how proud of the fire department he is and is so blessed to be a part of our program.

Chair Dalton recessed the meeting at 5:40 for pics

Chair Dalton called the meeting back to order at 5:42.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes of June 20, 2023. Warrants #68940 through #68994 totaling \$137,881.53. Warrant #68995 through #69027 totaling \$120,961.50. Warrants #69037 through #69094 totaling \$730,525.50. Warrants #69095 through #69135 totaling \$99,127.31. Warrants #69136 through #69196 totaling \$344,310.39. Finance Report ending June 30, 2023. June payroll \$3,572,917.99. June 2023 Alarm Summary. July 4, 2023 Alarm Summary.

All Commissioners approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Thank you from Boy Scout Troop #294 for the tour of the fire station.
- Thank you card from citizen for Station 22 crew.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

NEW BUSINESS

- First reading of SOP 1030- Use of District Facilities/Property – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the changes. SOP was in the Board packet for review. All changes were reviewed and briefed to the Board. Action will be taken at the next Board of Commissioners meeting.
- First reading of SOP 2000 - Harassment and Discrimination. - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the changes. SOP was in the Board packet for review. All changes were reviewed and briefed to the Board. Action will be taken at the next Board of Commissioners meeting.

- First reading of SOP 2060 – Travel Expenses - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the changes. SOP was in the Board packet for review. All changes were reviewed and briefed to the Board. Action will be taken at the next Board of Commissioners meeting.

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents – A/C Hebeisen briefed the board on:
 - Briefed the Board on the July 4, 2023 incidents. Incident summary was tracked and also placed in Board packet. **Commissioner Sheeran asked about the call volume for brush fires on the 4th of July. Would like comparison to a regular weekend number. Time to put these fires out are small but can turn large depending on the area.**
 - Incident MCI on Gravelly Lake. Two fatalities from a road rage incident. Four people transported to the hospital. All medic units were used in the call.
- Chiefs Report – Chief Sharp
 - Crews dispatched to an overdose call. Lots of bad drugs and fentanyl, and drugs used with tranquilizers. Four overdoses and one did not make it. WPFR is very concerned about this drug use and continuing to do PSA messages to emphasize this problem. Getting into the hands of folks who do not realize how dangerous these drugs are.
 - SS911 Teamsters Local 117 is concerned about excessive hours and frustrated with the long hours and hiring issues. Challenging process with no quick fix. Would like Commissioners aware of this staffing issue. Fire is not having the same issues as Law Enforcement.
 - Training Consortium is taking first real steps and all training staff has moved to Station 60. All training folks from all departments are moved in. Admin assistants are also out there.
 - Safe Sitter completed two classes and we have 35 new babysitters. Great program.
 - Providing a State of the Department presentations. Lots of community groups and getting out to the community which are excited about our programs. Getting great feedback. Two more presentations and will be finalize.
 - Summerfest was a big hit. Last night at council they stated 25,000 citizens went through. Kudos to everyone out there working the booth. Great event and very successful.
 - Thursday Clover Park fundraiser.
 - August 1, 2023 is National Night Out. Sign up and be a part of the fun.

ACTION ITEMS

- Resolution #071823-004 – Resolution to place the four-year Maintenance & Operations Levy on the ballot in November – Briefed the Board on the procedure if our August Levy fails. **Chair Dalton motioned for approval of Resolution #011823-004 – Resolution to place the four year Maintenance & Operations Levy on the ballot in November. Commissioner Rankin motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.**
- Cancel the August 1, 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting – Meeting falls on National Night Out. **Chair Dalton motioned for approval to cancel the August 1, 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Rankin motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.**
- Cancel the August 15, 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting.
- **Chair Dalton motioned for approval to cancel the August 15, 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Sheeran motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously.**
- Special Meeting on August 8, 2023 of Board of Commissioners.
- **Chair Dalton motioned for approval to add a special meeting on August 8, 2023 for a Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Clancy motioned. Commissioner Sheeran seconded. All approved unanimously.**

BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Rankin** – Conference is 24th-29th, of October for Washington Fire Commissioners. 470 people should be in attendance. July SS911 meeting is cancelled. August 9, 2023 is budget meeting
- **Commissioner Clancy** – No comments
- **Commissioner Sheeran** – So nice to see Trader Joes. Crossing fingers for August 1, 2023
- **Chair Dalton** – Thanked everyone for their hard work at Summerfest. Thanked staff and crews for their hard work.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Next meeting: August 8, 2023 @ 5:30 @ Station 31 – Special meeting



Tammy Lamb, District Clerk



Bart Dalton, Board Chair



Koree Wick, District Secretary