

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE.
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes of August 08, 2023. Warrants #69352 through #69395 totaling \$781,117.19. Warrant #69396 through #69450 totaling \$121,870.68. Warrants #69451 through #69494 totaling \$595,131.19. Warrants #69504 through #69549 totaling \$86,829.95. Warrants #69550 through #69584 totaling \$72,164.69. August payroll \$3,410,982.96. August 2023 Alarm Summary. Finance report ending July 31, 2023. Finance report ending August 31, 2023.

All Commissioners approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Thank you letter from Mary Bridge Children's hospital for a M20 incident.
- Thank you letter from John Caulfield, Lakewood City Manager.
- Thank you email from a Lake Louise citizen thanking B/C Layne Bladow.
- Thank you letter from a citizen to crews for a call.
- Thank you letter from Graham Fire & Rescue for covering stations for a memorial service for one of their firefighters.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

STAFF REPORT

- Chiefs Report – Chief Sharp
 - Review of Jamestown fire & Fort Steilacoom Park fire – Chief Sharp prepared a PowerPoint presentation for both fires. Briefed the Board on all aspects of the fire and the challenges. Walked through the dispatch of both fires. Presentation was a 20 minute full review of all engines from WPFR, Central Pierce, & JBLM. Questions were answered from the Board regarding structures which were lost and the fire shift. **Commissioner Sheeran asked questions regarding DNR and their policy of calling for helicopters to drop water.** Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the process and the knowledge since this fire regarding DNR. **Commissioner Durr commented on the investigation and collaboration with Lakewood PD.** A/C Dobbs briefed the Board on the process of the fatality fire policy and investigations.
- Recent Incidents – A/C Hebeisen briefed the board on recent incidents.
 - Deck fire which started and was contained quickly. Kept to kitchen and the deck.
 - Few hours before Fort Steilacoom was a garage fire that went into the kitchen. Crews were bounced from house fires, to appliance fire and then the Fort Steilacoom fire.
 - House fire off 92nd. Investigation still ongoing. Damaged the first row of apartments.
 - This morning 9/19 was a fire at Classi Chassis off Custer. Crews kept fire to mechanical room. Lots of smoke damage.

Chief updated:

- Jamestown fire update
- September 5, 2023 received proclamation from Lakewood City Council for 9/11 Remembrance
- September 8, 2023 was ceremony at Lakewood PD.
- September 11, 2023 was ceremony at Station 31
- B/C Britton
- September 12-14th, Executive staff attended the King County symposium conference
- At Last night's Lakewood Council meeting chief Sharp presented a letter of appreciation to Lakewood PD.

ACTION ITEMS

- Resolution #091923-005 – Resolution declaring item surplus to the needs of the District – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on Ladder 219 which is being surplus. Replaced this ladder with the new ladder. Engine is no longer working. Hard to market ladder in this market to sell to smaller departments. Also, this has a bad motor. History tells us this will be hard to sell but will market and decision will be made at that time.

Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve Resolution # 091923-005. Commissioner Clancy motioned. Commissioner Rankin seconded. All approved unanimously.

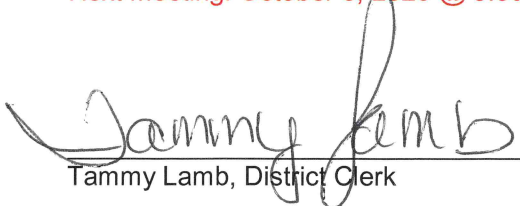
BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Rankin** – Lots of news about both fires. Respected the fires and crews did a great job, and did not hear any blame, very encouraging. Brush fires are tough. Great job on this fire. Lots of fires in Spokane and the East side. Great training and good squads. Thanked B/C Bladow for calling in the necessary resources. Proud of him.
- **Commissioner Clancy** – Video was very educational. Thanked Chief Sharp for the presentation.
- **Commissioner Sheeran** – Thanked Chief for the video and was very helpful. Gave a great overview of what happened and why it happened like it did. This helps explain the way it happened and why. Chief Sharp went out to the community and walked them through verbally the challenges and helped them to understand, not a lot of push back but a lot of community that wanted to reach out and help. Speaks a lot about the Lakewood community and how they come together to help.
- **Commissioner Durr** – Commented on the respect between fire & police. Very glad that the relationship is good. Appreciates the work from this department.
- **Chair Dalton** – Dittoed the comments and great to have the crews and administration for the training. Need to make sure we continue training and keeping up with new technology. Loved to see that no matter where everyone was they worked together.

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to bring to the Board, Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:30.

Next meeting: October 3, 2023 @ 5:30 @ Station 31



Tammy Lamb, District Clerk



Bart Dalton, Board Chair



Koree Wick, District Secretary