

**PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 17, 2018**

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present. Also in attendance A/C Norton, A/C McCurdy, A/C Boltz, Director Wick and Communications Manager Weekes. A sign-in sheet was provided for additional attendance.

All rose for the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Rankin moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Clancy seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

PRESENTATION

- Merit Award – FF/E Shawn Lamb and Executive Assistant Tammy Lamb - Chief Sharp presented FF/E Shawn Lamb and his wife, Executive Assistant Tammy Lamb with a Merit Award for their meritorious efforts while on vacation helping a family in distress at a hotel swimming pool. They heard the cries of a mother in distress who was unable to find her daughter who had gone underwater and had not surfaced. Shawn and Tammy both jumped in and got the mother to the side and found the daughter underwater and brought her to the surface. All parties were uninjured. Chief Sharp thanked them both for their selfless act. Commissioners and staff congratulated and thanked them for their service.

Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 5:33 for ten minutes for congratulations and pictures.

Chair Dalton called the meeting back to order at 5:43.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisting of Board Minutes of June 05, 2018. Warrants #55112 through #55175 totaling \$403,234.29. Warrants #55176 through #55215 totaling \$94,091.26. Warrants #55229 through # 55317 totaling \$200,202.66. Warrants #55318 through #55346 totaling \$118,326.01. Warrants #55347 through #55378 totaling \$34,482.95. May 2018 Alarm Summary. Finance Report ending May 31, 2018. June payroll \$2,377,448.00. June 2018 Alarm Summary. Finance Report ending June 30, 2018.

Consent Agenda approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Thank you letter for ride along.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents – A/C Boltz briefed the Board on recent incidents:
 - Five car vehicle crash during a vehicle pursuit. One critically injured transported.
 - Macau Casino had a fire which was determined to be an arson case. Crews were called to a fire in the restroom at the casino. Fire was called under control; subsequently a call was received for a man hit in the parking lot at Walmart. When crews arrived at Walmart they recognized the woman driving the car as being at the Macau and noticed soot on her hands. Crews called LPD who arrived and arrested the woman. She is being charged with arson. Great job to the crews for being so attentive.
 - Brush Fire along 512. Mutual Aid with CPFR.
- Western State Hospital funding – A/C McCurdy briefed the Board on the recent news of the hospital losing their federal funding. A/C McCurdy discussed the fire codes and how the inspections tied to the federal funding are done through the State Fire Marshal's office; they utilize different codes. Many inspections have been done by WPFPR Prevention at Western State; WPFPR has a good relationship with them. Loss of funding does not affect our contract as of yet.
- Paid family & medical leave program – Director Wick briefed the Board on the new paid family & medical leave program which goes into effect January 1, 2020. Commented on the premiums and how they will be applied and contracts negotiated. Changes to the SOG's will come out once we have identified what is to be implemented. Director Wick briefed the Board on who is qualified and stated it is a statewide program for employers who have 50 employees and more. Director Wick answered Commissioner Sheeran's questions regarding the program and will have more information as the changes come closer.

- Chiefs Report – Chief Sharp:
 - A new Administrative Assistant was recently hired. Shari Irish started July 9, 2018, she was a former employee of Fire Comm. Very excited about having her here at WPFR.
 - Both FF Christina Webb and FF Colby Coppinger have graduated paramedic school and are working on getting certified. FF Webb was the Valedictorian for the class and we are very proud of both of them.
 - FFP Travis Smith recently graduated from the LPD Police Academy and will be a Reserve Police Officer with them. Congratulations FFP Travis Smith.
 - Effort to create a first responders memorial is taking place at the County City Building. There are a few memorials spread out across the grounds. They would like to consolidate these parks into one area and recognize police and fire.
 - Sad news. One of our retired Lakewood Firefighter is in his final stages of cancer. There will be a celebration of life for him on July 28, 2018. He was a Firefighter/Engineer with Lakewood for over 31 years. More information to follow.
 - Fleet maintenance is back in South Dakota making the final touches to two new fire engines. Stickers are being placed and we hope to have them in service by early fall.
 - The Endeavor is out of service indefinitely. On Friday July 13, 2018 the Endeavor was doing some testing of low tide adjustments when they saw a group of people at Cuts Island performing CPR. Tide was very low so they walked waist high to the island and got the patient loaded and onto the boat. While performing CPR the ramp was inadvertently left in the water and the boat filled with water and now has electrical problems. Insurance will be covering the damage. WPFR is using Anderson Island's boat until the Endeavor is back in service.
 - Briefed the Board on the Janus decision required union membership and agency fees. Chief Sharp commented on the effect it will have on the Union and the Guild. Commented to the Board on the laws and regulations behind the decision. The Local and the Guild are having all their members complete an opt in or opt out form. Contract negotiations will be looked at once the dust settles with the decision.
 - Recently met with the Chiefs from Central Pierce Fire & Rescue and East Pierce Fire to discuss the benefits of various types of regionalization. Looking into the future of what Pierce County Fire should look like down the road and the possibilities of regionalization. All three Chiefs are in support of conversations and opportunities. Talks with each Local have occurred and they are hoping to meet for a meeting with the collective bargaining units to discuss further details. Chief Sharp will keep the Board updated on any new information.
 - FEMA AFG grant was approved for live fire training for \$224,005. Grant will allow for live fire training for all firefighters and new equipment.
- Recent events
 - Attended FFP Travis Smith's police academy graduation.
 - Attended General Harrison's 85th Birthday party. Harrison Prep school is named after him and he was the first Mayor of the City of Lakewood. Chair Dalton also attended.
 - Summerfest was a huge event. Very hot and was well attended. Sold a lot of helmets.
- Upcoming events
 - Youth Academy is July 28 & 29th at Station 21. 28 youth recruits will be there. Graduation will be held on July 31, 2018.
 - Chief Sharp will be on vacation until July 30, 2018. If anyone needs anything please contact D/C Tinsley.

NEW BUSINESS

- First reading of Policy number 2000 Harassment and Discrimination – Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the changes to the Board Policy number 2000. Commissioners received a copy and should review for any changes they may want to request. A motion to approve will be on the next agenda for July 31, 2018.

ACTION ITEMS - None

BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Clancy** – Congratulated Shawn and Tammy Lamb on their Merit Award and thanked them for taking action. Welcomed Dave Durr and thanked him for joining us and entertaining the idea of joining the Board of Commissioners.
- **Commissioner Sheeran** – Dittoed the comments of Commissioner Clancy and thanked everyone for their hard work.
- **Commissioner Rankin** – Reminded everyone there is a SS911 Board meeting on August 1, 2018. PCFCA picnic is July 26, 2018. Thanked Dave Durr for joining the meeting. Commented on the Janus decision and the affect is has on unions.

- **Chair Dalton** – Congratulated the Lambs. Thanked Dave Durr for coming to the meeting. Next meeting we will vote for a decision to allow Dave Durr to join the Board. Thanked Local 1488 for attending tonight's meeting.

Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:16 for a 15 minute Executive Session

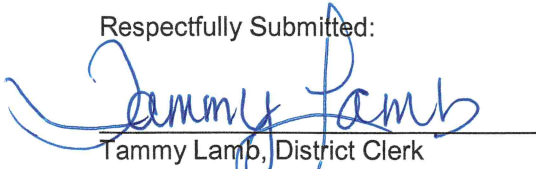
EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 15 minute Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (f) To receive and evaluate complaints or charges brought against a public officer or employer -

There being nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 PM.

Next meeting July 31, 2018, Station 21 @ 5:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Tammy Lamb, District Clerk



Bart Dalton, Board Chair



Koree Wick, District Secretary