

**PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 3
WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 01, 2019**

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present with Commissioner Clancy. Also in attendance A/C McGrady, A/C Boltz, A/C MCCurdy, A/C Fiacchi and Director Wick. 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 Sheeran seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

- Fire Prevention Month – Chair Dalton presented B/C Adams with a proclamation supporting October as Fire Prevention Month. Read the proclamation and presented to B/C Adams. B/C Adams briefed the Board on the school program that will be in all Lakewood schools. Commissioners and Staff thanked B/C Adams for his work in the community.

PRESENTATION

- Smoke Alarm Coordinator – Martin Olmos – B/C Adams re-introduced Martin to the Board and commented Martin would be working with smoke alarm program in which was awarded through the Prevention grant. Martin is an asset to this program and we are so excited to have him back working in the community. Commissioners and Staff welcomed Martin back and thanked him for accepting the position.
- Introduce new AmeriCorps volunteer - A/C McCurdy introduced Serena Rotondo to the Board and commented Serena is taking classes at UW Tacoma and is excited to be a part of the CERT program through AmeriCorps. Serena is the Granddaughter of one of our retired Captains. The Board and Staff welcomed Serena and thanked her for accepting the position. Serena commented how excited she is to work with Rachel Adler and she is learning so much being a part of the CERT team. Welcome Serena!

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisting of Board Minutes from September 17, 2019. Warrants 58444 through 58524 totaling \$134,554.13.

Consent Agenda approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Accountability Audit Report
- Financial Statements and Federal Single Audit Report
 - Chief Sharp briefed the Board on the correspondence from the recent audit. Director Wick commented last Board meeting on the exit interview and the findings and outcome of the audit. These reports are the written explanations of the audit

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents – A/C Boltz
 - A/C Boltz briefed the Board on the recent fire at Tijuana Taco in Lakewood. Fire was knocked down quickly and the business has been only been used for catering use and was not open to the public. No injuries.
- Chiefs Report – Chief Sharp briefed the Board:
 - Prevention grant was awarded for \$116,000. Grant is a continuation of the grant we got two years ago to install alarms in high risk apartments. Martin Olmos was rehired as the Smoke Alarm Coordinator and we are excited to continue this program.
 - AFG grant approval for Regional Technical Rescue training. \$212,000. Grant is regional with CPFR, EPFR, and GHMO.
 - SAFER grant was approved for 1,792,000. Five new firefighters will be hired. Grant is for three years and will be included in the hiring of our 17 new firefighters.

- Still waiting for the Department of Ecology Haz Mat grant and two other AFG grants. Fingers are crossed.
- Hiring process has begun and we had over 800 applicants. 628 took the written test. Will hire 17 new employees. Hoping to get at least five paramedics. Scores on the written test should be back this week. 60 candidates will be taken to oral boards. Candidate reception to follow.
- SS911 ground breaking for new facility was last week. Big step forward and are excited to see the construction begin.
- September 26, 2019 – Staff attended the Aids Foundation fundraiser
- September 28, 2019 – Staff helped Kiwanis build a new playground
- October 5, 2019 – CPR class being offered to Lakewood Rotary
- October 5, 2019 – Kiwanis annual fundraiser
- October 8, 2019 – Caring for Kids takeover at the Ram for Octoberfest.
- October 12, 2019 is Truck and Tractor days at Fort Steilacoom Park.

NEW BUSINESS - None

ACTION ITEMS - None

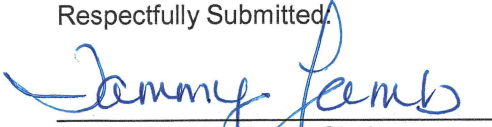
BOARD COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Durr** – Commented to the Board and Staff how grateful he is for the care and compassion given to his family during these last few months. Feels honored to be a part of this department and felt the red carpet treatment for his family. His wife's Celebration of Life was attended by crews and staff and he was honored to have everyone there. Thanked everyone.
- **Commissioner Rankin** – Welcomed Serena Rotondo and thanked her for accepting the AmeriCorps position. Stated he will be attending the Commissioners conference Sept 22-26 and will need coverage for the SS911 Board meeting on September 23, 2019. Commissioner Durr is the back up to Commissioner Rankin and will be present at that meeting. Commented the Pierce County Sheriff's department is dissatisfied with the decision of SS911 to not have them present on the Board of SS911. WPFR has no position or say in the decision.
- **Vice Chair Sheeran** – Welcomed Serena and Martin. Thanked everyone for their hard work.
- **Chair Dalton** – Thanked Tammy Lamb for her hard work on the grants. Thanked B/C Adams for his hard work in the schools. Thanked everyone who attended the Kiwanis playground build. 158 people attended the build and they got lots of work done. Next meeting will be run by Vice Chair Sheeran.

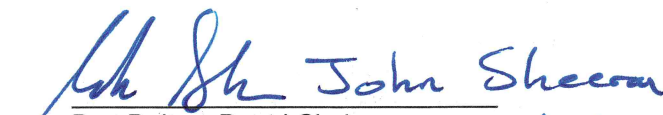
There being nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:57 PM.

Next meeting October 15, 2019, Station 31 @ 5:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted.


 Tammy Lamb, District Clerk


 Koree Wick, District Secretary


 Bart Dalton, Board Chair
 -EXCUSED
 FROM Mtg. Vice Chair