

# **Pierce County Fire District 13**

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# Minutes Board of Fire Commissioners January 11, 2022

<u>Commissioner Noll</u> called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call led by <u>Commissioner Noll (Zoom)</u> to confirm quorum has been met. Present for the meeting: <u>Commissioner Malone (Zoom)</u>, <u>Commissioner Zuluaga (Zoom)</u>, <u>Chief Wassall</u> (Zoom), <u>Battalion Chief Sandstrom</u>.

Members of the Public and Staff: 3

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Minutes:** *Motion-* A motion was made by *Commissioner Zuluaga* to approve the meeting minutes December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Regular Meeting.

Seconded Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

**Vouchers:** 

**Motion-**A motion was made by <u>Commissioner Zuluaga</u> to approve vouchers #16938-#16984 for \$18,942.49 for Q4 Vol Payroll Payables.

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

**Motion-**A motion was made by <u>Commissioner Malone</u> to approve vouchers #16985-#17017 for \$55,086.40 for Monthly Payables.

Seconded: Commissioner Zuluaga

Passed (Unanimous)

## **Correspondence:**

None

#### SPECIAL REPORTS AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEES:

## **Chief Report**

Presented by: Chief Wassall

**Calls:** 19 total calls, 2 Fire Calls, 12 EMS calls, 2 MVA Calls, 2 Service Calls and 1 Mutual Aid Fire call.

**Staffing and Recruiting:** Presented by BC Sandstrom. We asked 22 potential candidates to test for Academy. Only 5 showed for the 10 available slots. Those 5 were sent to get physicals

and 1 recruit did not pass. Leaving us with 4 for February Academy from Browns Point. Two additional potential candidates were sent to get physicals. Potentially we could have a total of 6. February Academy will also have 1 from Ruston, Riverside 3 or 4. Keri and I have gone to Pierce College to recruit. We have learned that potential candidates are on multiple fire department lists for academies. Whichever department calls first is where they are going. We have decided to hold an August Academy to keep our numbers even.

# **Financial Report**:

GL Trial Balance cash on hand: \$210,564.00 Less 1-11-2022 expenses -74,029.00 Deposits (not yet posted) 0.00 Remaining cash on hand: \$136,535.00

Reserves: \$357,167.42

**Training:** We are having integrated training for the Auto Pulse, I Gel and Life Pak.

**SS911:** South Sound 911 is starting crossover training. Training dispatchers to be able to dispatch either police or fire. SS911 is short staffed due to Covid.

**Fleet Status:** The new Command Vehicle has arrived. I have not seen it. I also hear it is red, perfect. I will see about ordering lights and radios when I return. We bought new snow chains for both engines and Aid unit. These chains are much easier to install, and they have better traction.

#### Good of the Order:

We have secured a date for the Fire Department Banquet. It will be at the BPIC on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. We need to evaluate if we are healthy enough to have the banquet.

I want to again congratulate Battalion Chief Sandstrom on his promotion. Thank you to Commissioner Zuluaga for stepping in for me and swearing in BC Sandstrom.

Thanks to all the officers and personnel for covering for me while I tried to heal up.

We are still moving forward with the Fire Academy in February.

We are continuing watching and moving to keep everyone safe.

#### **MSO Report:**

CDC updating Covid 19 guidelines

Autopulse training for Officers will be tonight with their Rep.

Congratulation to BC Sandstrom on his promotion.

Prepping Vector Solutions to change over to Lexipol. Making sure everyone's history transfers correctly. Lexipol will also store our SOP's.

## Commissioner(s) Report:

## **Commissioner Malone:**

Thanks to staff for keeping the roads clear.

## Commissioner Zuluaga:

Congratulations to Chief Wassall in his Fire Officer III training. He has his portfolio (18 components to complete).

## **Commissioner Noll:**

Time to begin work on the Annual Report and have it available to the community on our website.

Long Term Care on hold until State of Washington decides on when to start reporting funds.

State Fire Marshall NFIRS program has free webinars available.

WFCA legislative session starts on January 27, 2022, via Zoom.

Thanks to Chief and staff for accurate budgeting amounts for Fiscal Year 2021.

Next PC Fire Commissioners meeting on Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7PM via Zoom.

# **Public Information Report-Presented by PIO Scott Watkins**

762 Visitors of those 241 were new.

Facebook had 3676 visits and 471 engages due to the Santa run pictures.

Life of the Points magazine working on nothing set.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1.Town Center Project Update

Nothing new, rumor that the Diner is moving down into the tideflats.

2. Property Acquisition

No contract signed either seller or PCFD#13 to purchase the lot on 809 & 900 Le-Lou-Wa Place Northeast Tacoma, WA Address

Feasibility study starts from the point of signed contract. We have 90 Days to complete.

3. Station 77 remodel status

Awaiting for a report from Lawhead Architects on station assessment.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. 2022 Objectives

Signed mitigation agreement

Finalizing Station 77 remodel direction

Evaluate Equipment upgrades

Schedule Academies to restock our volunteer pipeline.

Emphasis on training, policies, and procedures.

Evaluation of Fire Engine replacement (engine specifications).

Replacement of Station 76 generator

## 2. Response to Unexpected Situations

Continual training on impact situations to the community:

Power Loss multiple days

Landslides

HWY 509 Closures

Tideflat incidents

Tide awareness (King Tides)

## **Executive Session- Personnel issue**

The Board will be going into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(f) to receive and evaluate a complaint against an employee(volunteer). The Executive Session will be for 23 minutes until 10:55. Attending the Executive Session were Commissioners Noll, Zuluaga, Malone, Chief Wassall, MSO Dawson and BC Sandstrom. Started at 10:32 Ending 10:55

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None	
ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next regular ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourner	ular meeting will be Tues., February 8, 2022, at 9:00 AM ed at 11:14 am.
Approved By:	
Chairman Noll	Commissioner Malone
Commissioner Zuluaga	Fire Chief/District Secretary