

## **Pierce County Fire District 13**

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# Minutes Board of Fire Commissioners July 12, 2022

<u>Commissioner Noll</u> called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call led by <u>Commissioner Noll</u> to confirm quorum has been met. Present for the meeting: <u>Commissioner Malone</u>, <u>Commissioner Zuluaga</u>, <u>Chief Wassall</u>, <u>BC Sandstrom</u>
Members of the Public and Staff 2

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Minutes:** *Motion-* A motion was made by *Commissioner Zuluaga* to approve the meeting minutes June 14, 2022, Regular Meeting.

Seconded Commissioner Malone.

Passed (Unanimous)

Vouchers:

**Motion-**A motion was made by <u>Commissioner Zuluaga</u> to approve vouchers #17324-17372 in the amount of \$61,995.62 for Monthly Payables.

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

**Motion-**A was made by **Commissioner Zuluaga** to approve vouchers #17288-17323 in the amount of \$13,161.21 payment for Q2 Vol FF Payrolls.

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

*Motion-*A motion was made by *Commissioner Zuluaga* to approve voucher #17373 in the amount of \$1,125.00 a for a DOH Trauma Grant deposit..

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

#### **Correspondence:**

Donations to Browns Point/Dash Point Fire Department Volunteer Firefighter Association in respect of Bill Drew.

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

#### **Chief Report**

Calls: 17 total calls, 1 Fire Call, 13 EMS calls, 2 MVA's and 1 Mutual Aid Call.

**Staffing and Recruiting:** CVA22-01 has graduated giving us an additional 7 personnel for our staffing. Only 2, however are currently EMT's. We are interviewing candidates to be in our next

fire academy. We hope to get 10 but may have only 7. This again will be a combined academy with other fire departments personnel making up this next group.

## **Financial Report:**

GL Trial Balance cash on hand: \$453,193.22 Less 07-12-2022 expenses -75,156.83 Deposits (not yet posted) \$0.00 Remaining cash on hand: \$378,036.39

Reserves: \$357,483.88

**Training:** We will be focusing on training and preparation for The Browns Point Salmon Bake. We will have a first aid and a community risk reduction table at the event. We are also doing what we can to be ready for wildland deployments. The new protocols for medications are in place as of the first of July. We have worked hard to be ready and trained on the new medications which are now part of our BLS treatment protocols.

**SS911:** SS911 had a Teams Meeting last month, I did not make any friends. The "retreat" that the SS911 members attended did not bare any fruit for the fire departments. We have been told so far to negotiate our own deals with the radio manufactures when we update our radios. Not what we were told when this review process was started. We will continue to follow and see if they are going to make a recommendation on a manufacturer and bulk pricing.

**Fleet Status:** We have E76 in the shop getting her annual maintenance completed. We have spent about 7K so far. We will be sending in E77 when we get E76 back. I have ordered a Command cabinet for my Expedition. The cabinet should be here shortly. A76 will be needing an oil change shortly. We have secured a mobile radio from East Pierce Fire & Rescue. They had some they no longer needed and put them up as surplus.

**Good of the Order:** If you were a Porta Potty in Browns Point, you had a rough 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We had an engine crew and a crew for A76. I sat at the pier at Dash Point to have eyes on things there. We had one beach fire at the Lighthouse. Everyone must have had to work on July 5 because the fireworks were over by 23:30. We all have been taking a little time off this month. Keri went to Hawaii to see her kids. B/C Rapozo is there now and will be for the week. After the meeting, Lisa and I will be headed to Oregon for a wedding. B/C Sandstrom will be taking the week off the last week of the month. Rumor has it, he is headed over to the hydro races in Tri-Cities.

The Department will be changing the drill nights the first 2 weeks of August to accommodate the Salmon Bake. We will move drill night from Tuesday to Monday so we can assist with getting the booths out from under the BPIC to where they need to go. Then the following Monday, putting it all away.

We received correspondence concerning the parking next door to Sta77. We can pay \$25 per car per month to use it. I sent an email to the department personnel to have them park at the

Town Center behind the station. We have not had any issues. We made no response to the email, or to the business making the request for payment.

Aileen Williams lost her husband to cancer this past month. In Bills obituary she asked that in lieu of flowers could they please donate the Browns Point/Dash Point Volunteer Firefighter Association. We have received donations here at the department that will be deposited into the Association's bank account. I authorized the Association to purchase "Thank You" cards so we may recognize those who made the donations. They have the Department logo on the front and are blank inside, so we may use the remaining cards for other purposes in the future.

#### **MSO** Report:

No report given do to MSO being on vacation. Chief Wassall finalized Quantum paperwork. Send calls that qualify to System Design.

## **Commissioner(s) Report:**

## **Commissioner Malone**:

Salmon Bake dates of Aug 6 and 7. Currently looking for police to monitor event. Concerns on the spreading of Monkey Pox. Waiting to hear guidance from DOH.

#### Commissioner Zuluaga:

See old business.

#### **Commissioner Noll:**

How do we prepare for electric vehicle fires?

Attorney Eric Quinn provided a roundtable discussion on diversity June 24. More resource information on this topic can be found on the MRSC website.

Thank You to Chief Wassall, Battalion Chief Sandstrom for all that you do for the community and the extra effort expended around the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend.

## **Public Information Report-Presented by (vacant)**

No Presentation

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. Town Center Status:
  - Nothing new.
- 2. Dental Office Status

Approach Dr Minn if we can park on her portion of office parking. Tad to charge Fire Department \$25 per car per month prepaid for his side of the parking lot.

3. St. Matthew Land, Meeting with Pierce County:

Results from County on building site next to St Matthews Church.

County saw no major issues building on the lot. Parking sewer, setbacks, retaining wall, drainage were checked.

Zero Wetland issue from County.

Contact WA DOT for approval to use existing entrance and exit to HWY 509.

Father Kendall has a team in place to help him with the project. He needs a parking contract with next door office park.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Review of District Demographic Data:
  - See attached information
- 2. Evaluate Lid Lift Resolutions and requirements for November 8<sup>th</sup> Election Full speed ahead for the November election.

**Motion-**A motion was made by <u>Commissioner Zuluaga</u> to approve for re-authorizing Fire Levy Lid Lift in the November 2022 elections.

## Seconded: Commissioner Malone

## Passed (Unanimous)

Approach Eric Quinn on creating an explanatory statement and resolution language.

We will meet for a Special Meeting on 7.21.22 to review resolution.

Dave Noll to contact Life at the Points to get an article into the magazine prior to election.

Dick Collins was approached and agreed to be on the "For" Committee.

#### **COMMENTS:**

Restructuring of Browns Point/ Dash Point Volunteer Firefighter Association.

New President: Johnl Milhans New Vice President: Parker Lucey New Secretary: Parker Michaels New Treasurer: Noel Fitzgerald

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The next regular meeting will be Tues., August 9, 2022, at 9:00 AM. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 11.05 am.

Approved By:	
Chairman Noll	Commissioner Malone
Commissioner Zuluaga	 Fire Chief/District Secretary