

June 10, 2021

Present: Commissioners Stan Chunn, Ken Ayers, Larry Bartel, Bob Johnson, David Town. Chief John Nohr.

Via Video Conference: DVC Ben Peeler, Mike Jackson and Dan Yager. Recording Secretary Kathy Streissguth. Training BC Ryan Berg.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Chunn at 4:01 p.m.

Flag salute.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Town to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second by Commissioner Bartel. DVC Yager provided additional detail on an invoice for saw chain. No further discussion. Call for the vote. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Thank you note and gift card from the Wood family in La Center. Informational memo from Brian Snure on the 2021 DNR contract.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Fire Risk Management Group – Bartel No meeting. No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board – Johnson

No meeting. No report.

Finance Committee – Town

No meeting. No report.

WFCA Region VIII Update – Bartel

No report.

Commissioner Updates

None.

STAFF REPORTS

Admin Services

DVC Yager summarized the May Administrative Services report.

Operations

DVC Peeler reviewed the May Operations report. One of the recruits received the State Academy Bull Dog award last week. All personnel are back on duty and no one is out on injury. Will be attending the RHS graduation parade with DVC Yager following the meeting. Commissioner Bartel asked about the recruit graduation. BC Berg advised the graduation date is Friday, July 30, but unknown at this time if guests will be able attend.

Community Risk Reduction/CARES

DVC Jackson detailed the Community Risk Reduction and CARES program activities for the month May.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Nohr summarized the May Chief's report. Currently testing for new positions. Two alternates have already cleared for the hiring process will start on August 1. They will replace the two additional 2021 retirements. Discussed property valuations. Anticipate an early implementation of the burn ban, but enforcement may be an issue with the 4th of July. Working with the County Chiefs and the County Fire Marshal. Reviewed issues related to recent slow ambulance response times. AMR reported it was due the hospitals being very busy right now. Working with AMR and the County Chiefs to address the impacts to fire response.

Discussed optional dates for a joint meeting with the Clark 6 Board. June 29, July 13 or July 27. Board polled for availability. Planning to meet in the evening at Station 151. These dates are Clark 6 Board meeting days. Chief Nohr will coordinate with FD6 to schedule.

LEXIPOL POLICIES

DVC Peeler summarized the requested changes to the proposed policies. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Bartel to adopt the policies as present. Second Commissioner Ayers. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Town asked about mandatory vaccinations. Chief Nohr advised that the vaccines are still currently being administered as emergency use. Once Federal guidelines officially designate the vaccines as safe, we will revisit the issue.

LATE EDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Five minute recess at 4:50 p.m. Moved to executive session at 4:55 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining negotiation strategies. Expected length of session 15 minutes. No action anticipated. Meeting resumed at 5:10 p.m.

Commissioner Ayers advised he missed the filing deadline, but will be filing for his position during the primary election open period.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Attest, John Nohr Fire Chief/District Secretary