



**Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue
Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes
911 N 65th Avenue, Ridgefield**

August 25, 2022

Present:

Commissioners Stan Chunn (Chair), David Town (Vice Chair), Ken Ayers, Larry Bartel, Jade Bourke.

Chief John Nohr and DVC Mike Jackson. BC Rommel on Zoom video.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Chunn at 4:00 p.m.

Flag salute.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Nohr reviewed a thank-you card received from the North Pacific Conference-Seventh Day Adventists for attending their building dedication. The thank-you card included a \$200 gift card for Mod Pizza.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Fire Risk Management Group

No meeting. No report

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

No meeting. No report.

Finance Committee

No meeting. No report.

Local BVFF Committee

No meeting. No report.

WFCA Region VIII

Commissioner Bartel noted that the SW Washington Commissioner Association will hold a dinner preferably in September; still trying to contact C2FR Chief Neves.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Bartel brought up the commissioner uniform shirts. Board clarified that the shirts would include the commissioner's name. Nohr clarified that requests need to be turned in to Maureen for coordination.

Commissioner Bartel attended Commissioner Babcock's funeral. Stated it was a very nicely done event. Thanked Chief Nohr for representing the district well in his presentation.

Commissioners Bartel and Bourke would like to attend the Snure Legal Update at the WFCB conference.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Nohr summarized the Operations report for DVC in his absence. OPS report included updates on Station 151 responses, training activities, and evaluation of the new TO-21. Two new Pierce engines went in service on August 17. Difficulty in finding qualified contractors that meet requirements to perform work at stations.

DVC Jackson summarized the Community Risk Reduction report. He provided information on a vacant position on the AADSWA Board of Directors for an elected official, if any CCFR commissioners are interested. Summary of plans reviews, inspections, and related activities. Summary of CARES referrals. Explanation of the Co-Responder Outreach Alliance (CROA) and how CCFR is leading the way in coordinating and developing these programs. Commissioner Bartel requested a monthly list of major developments happening in the district. DVC Jackson will draft a possible report for capture these items. DVC Jackson shared a success story of the CARES responders helping a patient with chronic heat exhaustion during hot weather by installing a new air conditioner that the patient had on site.

Chief Nohr summarized the monthly Chief Report. Nohr shared the voting results in each precinct in CCFR. Nohr sent "thank you" letters to the local newspapers to thank citizens for supporting the EMS levy. Nohr provided an update on Station 151 data and explained that CCFR cannot unilaterally place additional crews there without FD6 agreement. To help balance mutual aid responses, CCFR should staff Station 151 on two shifts and FD6 on the third shift. Nohr summarized the memorials for Commissioners Babcock and Johnson. Two new fire engines placed in service on August 17th, with videos of "Push-In" ceremonies at Station 22 and 26. Nohr is attending meetings at CRESA to provide information to an outside consultant company looking at CRESA operations and possible improvements. CCFR will be holding an open house for hiring/careers on August 27th. Thank you to FF Lines for developing the flyer and business cards linking to our hiring page. Chief Nohr and several members, including FF Tarabochia, FF Adams, FF Lines, FF

great place to work; the completed video will be placed on our website and social media. Nohr explained about workstation and office assignments being moved around the district; we are starting to outgrow our spaces and must look at some alternative spaces. Nohr to be out the week of August 29-Sept. 2; and Acting Chief will be named.

Commissioner Chunn requested that we keep all information, contacts, etc., for the EMS levy so we have it on hand if needed in the future. Nohr has files from the 2017 lid lift, Woodland annexation, and EMS levy on hand for future reference. Commissioner Bourke asked if we could put out a mailer to explain updates and progress on implementing the EMS levy.

RESCIND PROVISIONAL EMS LEVY

Nohr explained that the provisional EMS levy needs to be officially rescinded so the county elections offices can be notified. Motion by Commissioner Bartel to rescind the provisional EMS levy. Second by Commissioner Bourke. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS


None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

Commissioner Bourke asked about a significant wreck on Lewis River Road on August 13th. Chief Nohr summarized the event and the other events happening simultaneously in the district. Explained the mutual aid relationship with Cowlitz FD1.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.



Attest, John Nohr
Fire Chief / District Secretary