

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

May 11, 2023

Present:

Commissioners Stanley Chunn, David Town, Ken Ayers, Larry Bartel, Jade Bourke. Chief John Nohr. DVCs Mike Jackson and Ben Peeler. BC Abe Rommel. Recording Secretary Kathy Streissguth.

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

Flag Salute.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

None.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Combat volunteers Drew Rachor and Josh Palmore were sworn in by Chief Nohr. Recently promoted BC David Greenwood was also sworn in. David was promoted May 1 following the retirement of BC Brett Graham.

5-minute recess at 4:13 p.m. Meeting resumed at 4:18 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Bourke to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second Commissioner Bartel. Clarification on several invoices. Hose Monster is for hydrant flow testing equipment for CRR to replace obsolete equipment. The Marine Program radar is to replace/update non-functioning equipment. \$12,000 is for architectural and engineering fees for the proposed St21 remodel project. Discussed EMS supplies. Narcan is a stocked item. Confirmed AMR does refill some supplies and an effort is made to rotate out items nearing their expiration date. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Thank you card from Ms. Debbie Ray to the St22 crew for being there when they needed help and to the CARES team for following up with the family several times. Thank you card from the Collins family to the St23 crew for a job well done.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Fire Risk Management Group

No meeting. No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

Commissioner Chunn summarized the May 10 FFFB meeting. Covered response statistics and a facility update. Staffing will be discussed at the May 31 joint Board

meeting with Clark 6. They may need to delay the start of joint staffing as their contract requires 30-day notice of staffing changes. Their next regular Board meeting is June 5.

Finance Committee

No meeting. No report.

WFCA Region VIII - Bartel

No report.

Local BVFF

No meeting. No report.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Bartel reminded everyone of the SWFCA meeting at St21 on May 17.

STAFF REPORTS

Operations/Training/Logistics - Peeler

DVC Peeler summarized the April reports.

Community Risk Reduction/CARES - Jackson

DVC Jackson detailed the CRR and CARES activities for April with updates on current program activities. Working with the City of La Center on a lease for space at the old city hall. CRR and CARES are hoping to move sometime in June. The week of May 22 is EMS week. Public information events are scheduled at Rosauers in Ridgefield and Safeway in Woodland. SWACH presented program information at the County Chiefs meeting. Looking to expand the program in cooperation with CCFR for consistency in delivery. The May 10 media event with Carelon and Sea Mar was well received. Covered by TV and print media. Interest in the CCFR program may lead to sustainable funding.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Pulled 55 names for the paramedic hiring process. Anticipating 6 positions pending budget review. Discussed the MFSA meeting and the cadet trip to DC. Continue to meet with County officials to discuss impact fees in the unincorporated areas. May is station inspection month. Woodland Planters Day is June 16-17. The Washington Fire Chiefs conference will be held in Wenatchee, May 21-24. Chief Nohr and DVC Peeler are attending and will be back in time for the May 25 Board meeting. The Port of Ridgefield has the trailers be moved from their current fenced location near the Port building. They will allow them to park under the new bridge/rail overpass, but the site will need approximately \$10,000 - \$12,000 in security fencing. Discussion. Project approved by the Board pending a written agreement with the Port for long-term use. Chief Nohr advised that he and staff have assessed two alternative sites for a new Ridgefield station. Approximately 2 acres at Carty Road and Hillhurst Avenue, which is currently not within the city limits. The second location is near the junction Royle Road and Pioneer Street. Commissioner Town advised he may have a lead on a third location. Will coordinate with Chief Nohr. More information to come.

RIDGEFIELD TAX INCREMENT AREA (TIA)

Additional information will be presented at tonight's Ridgefield Council meeting. DVC Jackson will be in attendance. Following discussion the city's consultant will be scheduled to present information to the Board during a workshop to be held during the next regular meeting on June 8. Chief Nohr will bring the issue up at the WFC conference to see if anyone has any input or has been impacted by this new legislation.

LATE EDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Brigid Taylor advised that the City of Ridgefield's Roundtable web page has information about the TIA. Asked that the Board consider moving the time of the Board meeting so working people are able to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Attest, John Nohr

District Secretary/Fire Chief



CLARK-COWLITZ FIRE RESCUE CONSENT AGENDA May 11, 2023

- 1. Minutes
 - April 27 Board Meeting
- 2. Prepaid Invoices
 - \$ 114,921.61 (Q1-23 Payroll Taxes)
 - i. Chk Nos. 22296 22299 dated March 31
 - \$ 498,281.19 (CCFR General Fund 6228 April Payroll Tax & Benefits)
 - i. Chk Nos. 22305 22315 dated May 5
- 3. Invoices
 - \$ 210,418.36 (CCFR General Fund 6228)
 - i. \$ 163,525.57 Chk Nos. 101283 101325 dated May 11
 - ii. \$ 36,763.09 ACH 1041 1044 to be paid May 15
 - iii. \$ 180.73 EFT 995 paid May 11
 - iv. \$ 1,779.49 EFT 996 paid May 11
 - v. \$ 8,169.48 EFT 997 paid May 11
 - \$ 994.90 (CCFR General Fund 6228)
 - i. \$ 830.00 Chk Nos. 101326 101342 dated May 11
 - ii. \$ 164.90 ACH 1063 to be paid May 15
 - \$ 14,277.93 (FFFB Fund 6254)
 - i. \$ 10,373.21 Chk Nos. 101278 101282 dated May 11
 - ii. \$ 2,615.20 EFT 990 to be paid May 15
 - iii. \$ 1,289.52 ACH 989 to be paid May 15
 - \$ 900.00 (Capital Fund 6224)
 - i. ACH 1045 to be paid May 15
- 4. Payroll
 - April 1 30 paid May 5
 - i. \$1,087,382.10 Gross Payroll
 - ii. \$ 716,295.92 ACH (net)
 - iii. \$ 751.16 Check Nos. 22300 22304 (net)
 - iv. \$ 147,018.94 Tax Deposit paid May 8
 - Correction paid May 11
 - i. \$ 1.612.88 Gross Payroll
 - ii. \$ 1,395.57 ACH (net)
- 5. April Use Tax paid May 11
 - CCFR \$ 855.55
 - FFFB \$ 0.00



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6. Approved Commissioner Stipends

April 2023 paid May 5						
Name	Regular Meeting	Committee Meeting	Assn Meeting	Educ	Other	Total
Ayers	2			2		2
Bartel	2	1	1			4
Bourke	2					2
Chunn	2					2
Town	1					1

7. Voided/Destroyed Claims Warrants

None

Commissioner Stanley Chunn – Chair

Commissioner David Town - Vice Chair

John -

Commissioner Ken Ayers

Commissioner Jade Bourke