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

June 13, 2024

Present:
Commissioners Stanley Chunn, David Town, Ken Ayers, Larry Bartel, Jade Bourke. Chief John Nohr. ACs Ben Peeler, Mike Jackson, Eamonn Ryan. Transcribed by Kathy Streissguth.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Chunn at 4:02 p.m.

Flag Salute.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS
None.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Commissioner Bourke to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Second Commissioner Town. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS
Thank you note to the CARES team. Message from County MPD Dr. Macht commending the crews for their performance on a recent call. AC Ryan advised the patient and his spouse stopped by the station to meet and thank the crew.

CITIZEN COMMENTS
None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Fire Risk Management Group – Bartel
No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board – Chunn
No report.

Finance Committee – Town/Bourke
No report.

WFCA Region VIII – Bartel
No report.

Local BVFF – Chunn/Ayers
No report.

Cowlitz Indian Tribe – Contract Liaison Bartel/Bourke
No report.

EMS District 2 – Bourke
Commissioner Bourke advised that the EMS District 2 Board met to discuss the City of Vancouver letter advising they would be splitting the service contract. The District elected to opt in to the offered one year piggyback on the contract to allow for time to evaluate and develop a plan to move forward. No one has any idea how this change will affect transportation services in the County, but the general consensus is that it won't be a positive move. The next EMSD2 board meeting is on August 12 at 1 p.m. at the Public Service Center. A remote option is available.

Port of Ridgefield – Bartel
Commissioner Bartel advised the Port of Ridgefield hired three people to disseminate information about their tax increment finance plan. The City of Ridgefield will be opening bids for the Pioneer Street improvement project. The Port Board expressed unanimous endorsement of the CCFR lid lift.

Port of Woodland – Town
Commissioner Town attended the Port's June 6 meeting. They have significantly expanded the tax increment area (TIA) geography to capture nearly $200 million in value. They are funding a study to replace the railroad bridge and another to add another connecting bridge to Clark County. Most of the proposed TIA is in Cowlitz Fire District 1. Commissioner Bartel pointed out that this will impact CCFR in that CFD1 will rely heavily on its neighbors for incident response as call volumes increase and they don't have the funds to grow with it.

Commissioner Updates
Commissioner Town reported that he attended the June 12 City of La Center council meeting. Good presentation by the district regarding the lid lift.

STAFF REPORTS

Operations/Training – AC Ryan
AC Ryan summarized the May Operations and Training report. Noted the Training BC position is vacant. The funds are being used for the training captain position filled by Josh Haldeman starting June 1.

Admin/Logistics – DVC Peeler
AC Peeler shared information from the April Administrative Services and Logistics report.

Community Risk Reduction/CARES – DVC Jackson
AC Jackson detailed the CRR and CARES activities for the month of April.

CHIEF'S REPORT
Chief Nohr reviewed the May Chief's report. Discussed the fatality incident on I-5 where the ladder truck was also struck. Station inspections conducted. All continue to improve; Station 23 was top notch. Have attended several community group and HOA meetings to present information on the lid lift. Keeping an eye out for opportunities to share information. The Cowlitz Indian Tribe council held elections; Bill Iyall is back as General Council Chair. The Tribe continues to be a great partner. Woodland Planter's Days this weekend. Shared information from Clark County Public Health requesting volunteers to assist with a heat mapping project. Lid lift

information sheet prepared for distribution by the crews. Noted the peer support group is very active.

DRAFT CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN
Chief Nohr discussed the draft capital distributed to the board members for review and comment. Discussed the need for a public hearing; though a hearing will be held by the County Council prior to approval. Final version of the plan will be presented at the next meeting. Discussed equipment needs and station locations. Approaching the County Council regarding the fire impact fee schedules and request to assess them will be coordinated with FD3 and FD6.

LATE EDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS
Ridgefield Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer Lindsay requested a copy of the plan when available.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
None.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Attest, John Nohr
District Secretary/Fire Chief

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CONSENT AGENDA
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1. Minutes
   - Board Meeting – May 23
2. Prepaid Invoices
   - $ 2,414.70 (CCFR Fund 6228)
     i. ACH 1397 – 1398 paid June 6
   - $ 666.25 (FFFB Fund 6254)
     i. ACH 1394 paid June 1 (Jun24 St151 Land Lease)
   - $ 458,855.66 (CCFR Gen Fund 6228 May Payroll Benefits)
     i. $ 374,042.04 Chk Nos. 22470 – 22478 dated June 6
     ii. $ 84,813.62 EFT No. 1399
3. Invoices
   - $ 80,439.76 (CCFR General Fund 6228)
     i. $ 45,903.30 Chk Nos. 102204 – 102250 dated June 13
     ii. $ 25,514.85 EFT 1422 paid June 13
     iii. $ 3,791.27 EFT 1423 paid June 13
     iv. $ 5,230.34 ACH 1471 – 1474 to be paid June 14
   - $ 7,813.20 (FFFB Fund 6254)
     i. $ 4,912.63 Chk Nos. 102198 – 102203 dated June 13
     ii. $ 1,675.22 EFT 1413 paid June 13
     iii. $ 320.98 EFT 1414 paid June 13
     iv. $ 904.37 ACH 1421 to be paid June 14
4. Payroll
   - May 1 – 31 paid June 7
     i. $1,064,223.61 Gross Payroll
     ii. $ 713,408.63 (net) ACH 704 – 803
     iii. $ 129,815.34 Tax Deposit EFT 1377
5. May Use Tax paid June 13
   - CCFR $ 741.59
6. Fund Transfers
   - $ 2,600,000.00 FT 6226 EMS Levy to 6228 Gen Fund – May 31
   - $ 277,731.00 FT 6228 Gen Fund to 6220 Debt Service – May 31
   - $ 333.12 FT 6228 Gen Fund to 6254 FFFB – June 1
7. LTGO Debt Service paid June 1 (Fund 6220)
   - $ 95,950.00 2020 LTGO – Cashmere Valley Bank
   - $ 90,370.00 2021 LTGO - Cashmere Valley Bank
   - $ 87,311.00 2021B LTGO - Cashmere Valley Bank
   - $ 4,100.00 2013 LTGO – US Bank
8. Approved Commissioner Stipends

May paid June 7						
Name	Board Meeting	Committee Meeting	Assn Meeting	Educ	Other	Total Paid
Ayers	2		1			3
Bartel	1		1			2
Bourke	2		1			3
Chunn	2		1			3
Town	2	1			5	8

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9. Voided/Destroyed Claims Warrants
    - 22450 replaced with 102248

Commissioner Stanley Chunn – Chair

Commissioner David Town – Vice Chair

Commissioner Larry Bartel

Commissioner Ken Ayers

Commissioner Jade Bourke