



## MCFD#12 FIRE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday November 12, 2024**

**Location: Station 1, 2950 W Matlock Brady Rd Elma, WA 98541**

**1. Call to order-6:00 PM**

**2. Flag Salute**

**3. Roll Call-** Board Secretary, Val Chappell called the Roll. Commissioners Young, Ingram, and Jones were present as was Chief Mike Brown.

**4. Approval of minutes.** A motion was made by Commissioner Steve Ingram to approve the minutes from October 28, 2024. Commissioner Nick Jones seconded the motion. The vote carried unanimously. A motion Was made by Commissioner Nick Jones to approve the minutes from the Strategic Planning Session held on October 28, 2024. Commissioner Steve Ingram seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

**5. Executive Session:** An Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 (i) To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

Session started at 6:07 returned at 6:22 No action taken.

**6 Executive Session:** An Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 (g) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. Action may or may not be taken. Started at 6:22 ended at 6:42. No action taken.

**7. Financial Report :** Approval of vouchers #532-559 in the amount of \$30,029.37. Commissioner Young presented the vouchers. There was a discussion. Commissioner Steve Ingram made a motion to approve the vouchers. Commissioner Nick Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

## **8. Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioner Young- A Go Fund me account has been set up for Hailey Benjamin for anyone that would like to donate.

Commissioner Ingram informed us that Teresa Bush had been without land line phone service for 5 months. She has it now. He will continue to correspond with CenturyLink.

Commissioner Jones. No comments

## **9. Chief Report**

We are not in Merger Negotiations. We are in merger discussions. Only in fact finding.

Bunker gear has expiration dates. We cannot fight fires in expired gear. We need to order two sets of bunker gear a year to make sure we have non expired gear for everyone.

We have 3 left in the Academy. Dec. 12 is Graduation.

EMR class has 6 volunteers that have started. We are hoping to have our EMS license by April.

Al Tupper, Thank You for all of the work you have done on the station.

Mike and Steve met with L & I and they are working to reduce the fines.

## **10 Public Comment-**

Public comments are going to be limited to 3 min for a total 15 min.

Steve Wood Thank You to All.

Ginny Mueller asked about our printer.

Detective Dracolby from the Mason County Sherriff's office said they wanted a list of stolen property.

Shirley Brown requested Special Meeting to discuss a Merger.

We are collecting facts now and will do nothing without Community Involvement.

Dave Persell wants to do a letter campaign for the US Attorney General.

Commissioner Ingram said he would post it on all of the pages and asked if there were any other Facebook pages he should be posting on. The Association should have a page soon.

## **11 Unfinished Business**

The Chiefs Contract has been tabled until there is further information from the Attorney

Monday Nov 18 at 5:00 will be our Budget Hearing.

Monday Nov. 25 at 5:00 Second Budget Hearing.

Monday Nov. 25, at 6:00 Regular Commissioner Meeting

We need a District Credit Card. We will get a policy in place.

## **12 New Business-**

Policies:

Mission Statement: Commissioner Young Made a motion to accept the Mission Statement, Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Firefighter Code of Ethics: Commissioner Ingram made a motion to accept the Firefighter Code of Ethics, Commissioner Jones seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Policy 100 Fire Service Authority: Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve, Commissioner Ingram seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Policy 101 Chief Executive Officer: Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve, Commissioner Ingram seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Policy 102 Policy Manual: Commissioner Ingram Made a motion to approve, Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Policy 210 Solicitation of funds: Commissioner Young made a motion to approve, Commissioner Ingram seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Policy 1012 Discriminatory Harassment: Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve. Commissioner Ingram seconded the motion. The motion passed Unanimously.

Travel policy was tabled.

West Mason has invited us to a Special Meeting on December 11 at 3:00.

Thursday November 14 is a Regional 9 Fire Commissioner Meeting at Central Mason.

## **12. The Good of the Order-**

Thank you from Steve Woods

**13. Adjournment** – Commissioner Jones moved the meeting be adjourned. It was Seconded by Commissioner Ingram. Meeting Adjourned at 7:34 PM .

Certified on this 25th day of November 2024:

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Trina Young, Commissioner Chair

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Steven Ingram, Commissioner Pos 2

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Nick Jones Commissioner Pos. 3

