



MCFD#12 FIRE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday JANUARY 27, 2025

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 Nick Jones to approve the minutes from Jan 13, 2025. Commissioner Steve Ingram seconded the motion. The vote carried unanimously.

5. Financial Report : Approval of vouchers #44-74 in the amount of \$56,121.62
Commissioner Young told the audience there were copies of the vouchers for anyone that wanted to look at them. Commissioner Ingram made a motion to approve the vouchers and Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously .

6. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Young Welcomed Troy Jasmin and explained that he was there doing the Zoom meetings at no cost to us. He has donated many hours in helping us with our Computers and security system.

Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Ingram commented on the new jackets the Fire Association bought for our Volunteers. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Young asked that if anyone had questions about her position to please contact her.

7. Chief Report

Engine 12-1 needs work again on the pump shift.

Tender 12-1 is almost ready to come back. There is still a lot of maintenance.

Both of the heaters in the hall are both working. There were two bad breakers.

L & I is almost complete. Working on Hazards Communication Program.

Total cost from when we took over in May to get us up and running is \$448,000. That includes old bills, maintenance etc.

There were 239 calls in 2024 with 96% being EMS calls.

8 Public Comments

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

Teresa Brush commented she was so proud of our community that worked so hard to get where we are.

She stated she was firm on her position to keep us an independent Fire Department.

Bill Johnson commented that volunteer pay used to be paid just before Christmas.

Just a thought.

Thank You to Al Tupper for continued work on the Hall. Thanks for installing the Refrigerator and stove.

And Thank You Holly and Chris Key for donating them.

9 Unfinished Business

The County Commission is talking about decommissioning the Beeville Loop bridge.

There was some discussion.

The L & I fines were reduced as low as they could go by law. The original fine was for \$38,100 and were lowered to \$2,100.

Commissioner Ingram commented on L & I. Everything is up to speed. We look Professional. Our office looks like an office.

10 New Business-

Policy 103

Policy 200

Commissioner Young made a motion to table the policies until they could be studied.

Commissioner Ingram seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Executive Session: An Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 (f) To receive and evaluate complaints or charges brought against a public officer or employee. . However, upon the request of such officer or employee, a public hearing or a meeting open to the public shall be conducted upon such complaint or charge; 30-minute session began at 6:18. The session was extended 15 minutes. 7:07

12. Good of the Order: Dave Persell asked we keep Chad Sweitzer and his family in Our thoughts. Chads son is at the end of his journey. Chad is the one that paid for The Fire Department to use the Grange when we couldn't use the Fire Hall.

12. Adjournment – Commissioner Ingram moved the meeting be adjourned. It was Seconded by Commissioner Jones. Meeting Adjourned at 7:09 PM .

Signed on this 10 day of February 2025:

Trina Young, Commissioner Chair

Steven Ingram, Commissioner Pos 2

Nick Jones Commissioner Pos. 3