



Grant County Fire District 7 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Agenda

MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 11, 2024

Time: 6:30pm

Location: 155 Wa-28 W. Soap Lake, Wa 98851

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Roll Call, Establish Quorum

Commissioner Lynne Nelson Present, Commissioner Dan Burts Present, Commissioner Jim McKiernan Present, Chief Baker Present

4) Recognize and Welcome Public, Invite Public Comments (3 minute time frame)

Alex Gonzalez, Julie Gillespie, Ryan Boldman, Marissa Watson, Emily Forest, Cindy Ellis, and Tim Babak were all present, no comments were made at this time.

5) Approval of Agenda

Commissioner McKiernan motioned to approve the Approval of the Agenda, Commissioner Burts seconded the motion, Motion passes. Agenda Approved

6) Consent Agenda

Commissioner Burts motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, Commissioner McKiernan seconded the motion, Motion passes. Consent Agenda Approved.

- a) Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes
- b) Expense Vouchers Review and Approval
- c) District Credit Card Expenditures

7) Chief's Report

- a) Incidents
- b) Training
- c) Facilities
- d) Fleet
- e) Regional update
- f) Statewide update
- g) New Members:

Commissioner Nelson asked Emily if the fire department would soon be expecting an application turned in from her husband. Emily stated that he had just picked one up.

Commissioner Burts motioned to Approve the 3 new members, Cindy Ellis, Marissa Watson, and Emily Forest, Commissioner McKiernan seconded the motion. Motion passes Members Approved. SEE ATTACHED REPORT



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8) District Secretary's Report

- a) Cash Balance-
 - b) EMS Billing -
 - c) Cost Recovery Billing-
- SEE ATTACHED REPORT*

9) Old Business

- a) Budget Committee

The committee chose a date and time to meet up to go over the budget. The meeting will take place on Monday the 26th at 1pm at the Firestation.

10) New Business

- a) Discussion on Term Life Insurance for Volunteers

There were some questions regarding Term Life insurance for the volunteers. 1) they wanted to know if volunteers will be covered if not on the job and something happens

2) They also want to check with the BoVF to check the amount that they provide for them. Item was TABLED TILL 2026

- b) Discussion and possible action on Administering the Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative Grant.

SEE ATTACHED REPORT. Commissioner Burts motioned to approve Administering the Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative Grant with Ryan Boldman, Commissioner McKiernan seconded the motion, Motion passes.

- c) Discussion and possible action on attending the Washington Fire Commissioners Conference 10/23-10/26 Spokane

Commissioner Nelson asked the fire Chief who all he plans on taking to this conference, Chief replied I would like myself, the Secretary, and at least 1 Commissioner to attend with me. It was decided that Commissioner Jim McKiernan would attend if he is available.

d) Discussion and possible action Assistance to Firefighters Grant Fire Apparatus Chief stated that he received 4 different quotes. 1 was \$60k more, 2 were within \$500 of the quote he went with. He went with the one that was under government contract with NPP. GRANT MONEY. Commissioner Burts motioned to Approve the Firefighters Grant Fire Apparatus, Commissioner McKiernan seconded the motion, Motion passes.

- e) Discussion and possible action Assistance to Firefighters Grant Self Contained Breathing Apparatus.

Chief stated that the Grant is about 10k under what they need for the new breathing apparatus. They discussed possibly taking money out of EMS revenue but decided they had 3 to 4 months to find out how to come up with the difference. Commissioner Burts asked about the fit tests and if the company will provide training along with fitting the firefighters. Chief said YES the



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company provides this and it is done at the time of the fittings. Commissioner Burts motioned to approve using EMS FUNDS for the additional costs of the breathing apparatus, Commissioner McKiernan seconded the motion. Motion passes.

12) Executive Session

We entered Executive session at 7:48 pm

Regular Meeting was back in session at 8:21pm

Discussion on Employee Performance. RCW 42.30.110 (g) To review the performance of a public employee or employees.

13) Announcements & Upcoming Events

a) Next Board of Commissioners Meeting: October 9th, 2024

b) Events - 9/13/2024 Sun Lakes Resort Car Show

c) Agenda item requests 1) *Form a policy committee*

2) *Remote option for Commissioner Nelson from November to April and assigning Commissioner Burts as Chair.*

14) Adjournment

Commissioner Burts motioned to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner McKiernan seconded the motion Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm

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