



## Grant County Fire District No. 8

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### Board of Commissioner Regular Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Grant County Fire Protection District No. 8 was held on June 8, 2021. Gubernatorial Proclamation 20-28 regarding open public meetings act and public records act prohibited 100% in person meetings. This meeting was virtual, telephonic, and in person in compliance with the proclamation. The meeting was held via Zoom and information for the public to participate was posted on our website and on the door of the main station on November 4, 2020. The meeting was recorded by Zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 16:21 by Board Chair Scott Nesbit (late due to station tour).

The Pledge of Allegiance was not spoken due to the absence of the flag.

Commissioners present: Scott Nesbit, Paul Parker, Richard Kummer, Debra Crain, and Russell Brixey. A quorum was established.

Others present: Interim Chief Doug Anderson, District Secretary Barbara Davis, David Patterson, and Joe Noonchester (via Zoom).

There were no members of the public to be welcomed and invited to comment.

The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion: Kummer. Second: Brixey. Motion approved unanimously.**

The Consent Agenda with Vouchers, Payroll, and Transactions was reviewed. Review and Approve Vouchers, Payroll, and Transactions: Vouchers were audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expenses reimbursed claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, having been recorded on a listing that had been made available to the Board. A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion: Kummer. Second: Brixey. Motion approved unanimously.** The documents were signed by the Board.

**Chief's Report:** Anderson reviewed his report.

1. Call Volume – May had 7 fire calls and 52 EMS calls for a total of 59 calls for the month for a year-to-date call volume of 227. There were 210 calls at this time last year.
2. 810 Windshield – Anderson reported that the new windshield has been installed.
3. Station 82 Accident – Anderson stated that during apparatus checks at Station 82 Firefighter Feist didn't close a compartment correctly on 821 before pulling it out of the station and damaged the bay door and post between the other bay door as well as minor damage to 821. He stated that the dory had been temporarily repaired and that Steele's Door would provide a quote for the door replacement. The construction company replaced the post, but the siding and stone would need to be repaired as well.
4. Volunteer Weekend Duty – Anderson suggested the Board consider changing the duty hours program and gave examples from other area districts.

Anderson had nothing further to report and there were no questions.

**Business Manager/District Secretary's Report:** Secretary Davis reviewed her written report.

1. Financial reports were reviewed. There were no questions or comments.

2. Annual Report – Davis stated this report is due at the end of last month, but she had been unable to finish it due to some technical difficulties. She stated she would work on it as she had time, but the Board needed to be aware it could be substantially late this year.

Davis stated she had nothing further and there were no questions.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Facilities –
  - a. Station Report
    - i. Progress Report – Patterson gave the Board a station tour prior to the meeting. Commissioner Parker asked about an acceleration lane for safety of pulling onto SR 243 S as well as stopping to make a left turn onto Rd 22.5 SW and Patterson replied that WA DOT would review it again. There was significant discussion on this topic. He then went on to discuss the progress on the station and stated that the low voltage vendor would be on site later in the month to install the router, wireless access, and physical security. He was expecting to have the building turned over to us before the end of the month.
2. Grants –
  - a. FEMA AFG Apparatus Replacement Grant – Davis reported that FEMA has been doing the final review of the grants and has started to make awards.
3. Policy Reviews and Updates – none
4. Strategic Planning Workshop – Tabled until July

There were no additional unfinished business items.

**New Business:** None


**Additional Business:** None

Commissioner Nesbit asked if there was a need for an Executive Session. There was none.

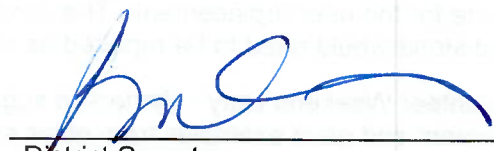
**Announcements & Upcoming Events**

1. Next meeting: July 13, 2021 at 16:00 via Zoom and in person.
2. Joe Noonchester stated he was looking forward to starting.
3. The Desert Aire Golf Cart Parade is July 4, 2021 at 16:00 at the Senior Center
4. There was discussion on fireworks due to the unusually hot and dry conditions. The Board agreed to support the County Fire Marshal's and County Commissioners decision to ban or not ban them this year.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 17:05 hours.

  
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Board Chair

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