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## **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 February 11, 2025. The meeting was held in person and via Zoom. Information for the public to participate was posted on our website and on the door of the main station. The meeting was recorded by Zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 16:00 by Chair Commissioner Russell Brixey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Commissioners present: Russell Brixey, Scott Nesbit, Richard Jenkin, and Debra Crain (via Zoom at 16:14). A guorum was established.

Others present: Chief Matt Hyndman, District Secretary Barbara Davis, Josh Seanard, FF/EMT Cesar Sanchez, and Resident Cameron Gumke

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

**Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion: Jenkin. Second: Nesbit. Motion approved unanimously.** 

Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda with Vouchers, Payroll, and Transactions was reviewed. 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 was made available to the Board. A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion: Nesbit. Second: Jenkin. Motion approved unanimously. The documents were signed by the Board.

Chief's Report: Chief reviewed his written report. Call volume in January: 43 calls - EMS 36, Fire 7. Chief reported on apparatus repairs and maintenance for various apparatus and he outlined recent acquisitions from DNR. Chief stated there was still one open resident position. Chief said he would discuss the CBA later in the agenda. Chief reviewed the training schedule. Chief stated that we need to post the bid for the shop and we were waiting to hear back from the engineer on some bid details prior to advertising. Chief reviewed the status of the DNR grant awards and applications, as well as the FEMA apparatus grant application. Chief reported that Legislation Day earlier in the month was good and he outlined the details. Chief said there was nothing further. There were no questions.

Business Manager/District Secretary's Report: Secretary Davis reviewed her written report and the financial reports. Davis reported that she had visited with Commissioner Parker last month and he provide a letter announcing his retirement from his commissioner position effective January 29, 2025. A motion was made to accept Mr. Parker's letter of retirement. Motion: Nesbit. Second: Jenkin. Motion approved unanimously. The Board directed Davis to publish a public notice for the open commissioner position. Letters of interest to be due March 7, 2025Davis explained that the County Treasurer's office is moving bank accounts to a positive pay system with is a more secure system. Davis stated she would be on vacation next week. She had nothing further and there were no questions.

#### Unfinished Business: None

#### New Business:

- 1. Strategic Planning Workshop There was discussion on the strategic planning workshop and the special meeting was set for Tuesday, March 18, 2025, from 16:00 to 18:00.
- 2. Collective Bargaining Agreement Chief updated the Board on negotiations and there was discussion on the details. Chief outlined the changes from the old agreement that were incorporated into the new agreement. The union had signed the agreement. A motion was made to accept the 2025-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented. Motion: Nesbit. Second: Crain. Motion approved unanimously. The documents were signed by the Board.

#### Additional Business: None

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

### Announcements & Upcoming Events

- 1. Next regular meeting: March 11, 2025 at 16:00 via Zoom and in person.
- 2. Strategic Planning Workshop: March 18, 2025 at 16:00 via Zoom and in person.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 16:42 hours.

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