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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 June 11, 2024. 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 Board Chair Russell Brixey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

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

Others present: Chief Matt Hyndman, District Secretary Barbara Davis

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

The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion: Nesbit. Second: Parker. 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. Chief told the Board that he had noted grant expenditures on the Payables report. There was discussion on these expenditures. There was no further discussion and no questions. A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion: Nesbit. Second: Crain. Motion approved unanimously.** The documents were signed by the Board.

Chief's Report: Chief reviewed this written report. Call volume in May: 65 calls - EMS 49, Fire 16. He said there were 243 calls at the end of May last year and this year we were at 232 calls. Chief reported that all apparatus were in good shape and he was working on BR829. He reported that Brindlee Mountain had no buyers for the surplus vehicles. Chief reported that Rolando Rivera gave his two-week notice last month and he hired Abe Gonzalez on a conditional offer. He will be on C Shift and Tristan will move to B Shift. He stated that a new resident was starting on the 20th. Chief gave an update on training events: fire school in Wenatchee was great, hazmat practical retest completed and passed, he received his IFSAC Instructor 1 certification, has 4 ropes techs cross training with the PUD ERT teams at Wanapum and Priest Rapids Dams, and the Chief's conference was good. Chief stated that our WSRB rating review is scheduled for the 18th. Chief reported on facilities maintenance with weed spraying ongoing. He stated that earthwork plans for the shop are complete and the LED reader board for Station 82 as part of the Firewise grant will arrive Wednesday. The CUP hearing for the sign is the same day and we should receive the permit the same or next day. He submitted the final paperwork for the compressor room insurance claim. Chief reviewed the status of our grant applications and stated we weren't awarded the Paul Lozier grant for the training center. He stated he used the PPMS program to get 2 golf carts and 28 new tires with wheels that should ship soon. He reported that he received a quote for the transformer for the shop, but it needs to be adjusted. Chief said he and nothing further and there were no questions.

**Business Manager/District Secretary's Report:** Secretary Davis reviewed her written report and discussed the available financial reports. Davis reported that she had been working on the templates

for the Medicare Ground Ambulance Data Collection Report, the Annual Report had been submitted, the EMS Conference in Ocean Shores was informative and interesting. She stated that she and Chief had attended the WFCA Saturday Seminar in Chelan on strategic planning. She reported that it was good and they learned we were doing a lot of the items suggested, but we had room for improvement in a few areas. They came away with some good tools for the next workshop. She had nothing further and there were no questions.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Policy Reviews and Updates: none
Strategic Plan Updates: none

New Business: None

**Additional Business:** There was discussion on the progress of the annexation of Mattawa. Davis stated she needed to contact the county assessor to confirm that it would be filed at the state level before August 1, 2024.

Commissioner Brixey asked if there was any reason for an executive session and there was none.

## Announcements & Upcoming Events

- 1. Next regular meeting: July 9, 2024 at 16:00 via Zoom and in person.
- 2. Fly-in Breakfast in Desert Aire June 15, 2024 at 7:00am.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 16:33 hours.

Board Chair	District Secretary
Date	Date