

## **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 May 14, 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 16:02 by Board Chair Russell Brixey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Commissioners present: Russell Brixey, Scott Nesbit, Paul Parker, and Debra Crain. A quorum was established. Commissioner Richard Kummer was absent due to a medical issue. A motion was made to excuse Commissioner Kummer. **Motion: Nesbit. Second: Crain. Motion approved unanimously.** 

Others present: Chief Matt Hyndman, District Secretary Barbara Davis, FF/EMT Christian Robbins, Resident FF Kase Groenke

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: Parker. Second: Crain. 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. Commissioner Parker asked about the credit from Enduris and Davis replied that it was a refund from taking the Desert Aire property off insurance, which was supposed to have been done at last year's renewal. Commissioner Parker asked about the SCBA compressor bill and Chief replied that it was for quarterly maintenance. Commissioner Nesbit asked about the EMT class and Chief said the expenditure would be reimbursed from the training grant. There was no discussion and no further questions. A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion: Parker.**Second: Nesbit. Motion approved unanimously. The documents were signed by the Board.

Chief's Report: Chief reviewed this written report. Call volume in April: 44 calls - EMS 40, Fire 4. He said there were 158 calls at the end of April last year and this year we were at 144 calls. Chief reported that all apparatus were done receiving servicing and he was working on BR829. He reported that Brindlee Mountain had no buyers for the surplus vehicles. Chief reported that Tyler McCallum gave his notice as of the end of May and he hired Tristan Trudeau from the hiring list. Tristan is to start 5/20/2024. He also reported that there was still one open resident position. Chief gave an update on training events: NFPA ASIP class, tech rescue, and the fire school in Wenatchee this month, as well as hazmat and IFSAC testing. Chief reported on facilities maintenance with weed spraying ongoing as wind permits then gave an update on the engineering of dirt work for the shop and the LED reader board for Station 82 as part of the Firewise grant. Chief reported on grants and said that the AFG hose grant and the SAFER recruitment and retention grant have both been submitted. He stated submitted the application for a grant to build a training center. He said he submitted for a \$10,000 grant for PPE and was still waiting to hear back on it. He was also signed the agreement with DNR for the Firewise program in Desert Aire that will reimburse us for home inspections and purchase tablets. He also