

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 September 14 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 16:10 by Board Chair Scott Nesbit.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

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

Others present: Chief Joe Noonchester and District Secretary Barbara Davis.

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: 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. A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion: Kummer. Second: Crain. Motion approved unanimously.** The documents were signed by the Board.

Chief's Report: Noonchester reviewed his written report.

Calls for service in August: EMS 47, Fire 21

Chief reported that Tender 810 has been having transmission issues and will be going in for service soon. He stated there are seven volunteers interested in taking the winter EMT class. There was discussion to have the students sign the education agreement. He reported that he was continuing his discussions with DOT regarding road improvements at SR 243 S and Rd 22.5 SW to improve safety. There was discussion on community events and parades. Chief stated he had nothing further unless there were questions. There were no questions.

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

Financial reports were reviewed. There were no questions or comments. Davis stated the Surplus Sale netted just over \$1200 and all remaining items were donated or disposed of. Davis stated she had nothing further and there were no questions.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Facilities
 - a. Siren from old station has been removed and brought to the new station. There was discussion on putting it on a stand on the monument and painting it red.
 - b. New station HVAC will be in next week and they are still working on punch list items. The Board reiterated their appreciation to Chief Patterson and Davis for all their work on the new station project.

- 2. Grants
 - a. FEMA AFG Apparatus Replacement Grant Davis stated that there is no news yet.
 - b. SCBA Grant Chief reported that he ordered Scott SCBAs.
 - c. Station Grant There was discussion on possibilities.
- 3. Policy Reviews and Updates none
- 4. Strategic Planning Workshop –There was discussion a Strategic Planning workshop towards the end of first quarter next year.

There were no additional unfinished business items.

New Business:

1. 2021 Budget Amendment – Davis reviewed the proposed changes. There were no questions. A motion was made to approve the 2021 Budget Amendment as presented. **Motion: Kummer. Second: Crain. Motion approved unanimously.**

Additional Business:

Port of Mattawa – Davis reported that the Port brought a water usage report to make sure there
were no leaks as they noticed a large spike in usage after we occupied the building. The Port
was proposing a \$120 monthly fee and would review usage after a year to see if it needed to be
adjusted.

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

Announcements & Upcoming Events

- 1. Next meeting: October 12, 2021 at 16:00 via Zoom and in person. Commissioner Crain stated she would be in Montana so she wouldn't be there.
- 2. WFCA Conference at the end of October. Commissioner Kummer stated he would like to go and so did Chief Noonchester.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 17:49 hours.

Board Chair

District Secretary

Date

Date