

Grant County Fire District No. 8

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Board of Commissioner Special Meeting Minutes

The special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Grant County Fire Protection District No. 8 (District) was held on October 6, 2022 for the purpose of holding a Strategic Planning Workshop. The meeting was held in person and via Zoom and information for the public to participate was posted on our website and at the main station September 29, 2022. The meeting was recorded by Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair Scott Nesbit at 16:00 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Commissioners present: Scott Nesbit, Debra Crain, Paul Parker, and Richard Kummer. A quorum was established. Commissioner Brixey called to say he was ill about 10 minutes before the meeting was to start. Commissioner Nesbit entertained a motion to excuse Commissioner Brixey. No motion was made.

Others present: Chief Matt Hyndman, 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.**

Strategic Planning Workshop

- Apparatus Plan Updates Chief discussed the engine he looked at in Dallas. It was a 2007 Pierce Arrow XT Custom Pumper. He stated it was in very good condition and recommended the Board approve it's purchase for \$225,000. There was discussion on the details. A motion was made to authorize Chief Hyndman to sign the sales agreement with Brindlee Mountain for the 2007 Pierce Arrow XT Custom Pumper for \$225,000. Motion: Parker. Second: Kummer. Motion approved unanimously.
- 2. Facilities Plan Chief showed a slide show on existing facilities. He discussed the needs moving forward for more storage space, a dedicated mechanics bay, a apparatus build bay, more quarters, training space, and a remodel and or upgrade of Station 82. There was discussion on options and ideas to meet the future needs. There was a suggestion to expand parking at Station 81. Commissioner Crain asked about the timetable for the plan. Davis suggested 2023 to 2024 for the mechanic's building/shop. Station 82 was discussed and options reviewed including other locations with more space. Commissioner Nesbit refocused discussion on the Edgewater house. He suggested using a realtor to market the house. There was discussion. A motion was made to authorize Chief Hyndman to research and engage a realtor to sell the house after February 2023. Motion: Crain. Second: Kummer. Motion approved unanimously. Chief asked about moving forward with the plan for the second 5-acre lot with the mechanic's building and future training area. The Board agreed that engineers and planners need to be contacted to start on the project.

Additional Business – Chief reported that he had a Zoom meeting with WDOT on SR 243 S. He stated that the improvement project for widening the highway won't start until 2027 and will go

from the Vernita Bridge to approximately the Desert Aire entrance. Chief said that the widening and repairs cost about \$1M per mile. He said he would be following up with WDOT on the project.

Commissioner Nesbit announced that the Board would go into Executive Session for ten (10) minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(o) to discuss staff privileges. Executive Session from 17:19 to 17:39. No decisions were made. The regular meeting resumed at 17:39.

There was more discussion about SR 243 S regarding safety and traffic volume.

There being no further business before the Board, t	he meeting was adjourned at 17:42 hours.
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