## Whatcom County Fire District No. 11 Board of Fire Commissioners 3809 Legoe Bay Road, Lummi Island, WA. 98262 October 8th, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Dan Ohms at 3809 Legoe Bay Road, Lummi Island, WA 98262 called the Regular Meeting for October 8th, 2024 to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** In attendance were Commissioner Bill Lee, Commissioner Joan Moye, Commissioner Dan Ohms, Chief Michael Lish, and Board Secretary Lisa Lish.

**GUEST:** Asst Chief John Granger and Lt Chris Immer.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: Commissioner Bill Lee spoke on the behalf of a former Volunteer firefighter and a former Commissioner. In regards to the aging siren, a former firefighter suggested that the first responder to arrive at the station manually wind up the siren. A former Commissioner suggested taking old vehicles in need of repair to Bellingham Tech College for students to repair. There was general discussion, no action was taken by the board.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: Minutes for the Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on September 10th, 2024 were approved as submitted by Chairman Dan Ohms.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** Chief Michael Lish gave the Chief's report.

## **PAYROLL:**

<u>Motion</u>: Commissioner Bill Lee made motion, "To approve the payroll for October 2024 (Hourly employees, Stipend and Battalion Shifts for September 2024; and current month October 2024 for Contracted Employees) in the amount of \$20,239.50." Seconded by Commissioner Joan Moye, AND PASSED 3-0. AND PASSED 2-1-0. Commissioner Dan Ohms abstain.

## **BLANKET VOUCHERS:**

The Board of Commissioners, at 3809 Legoe Bay Road, Lummi Island, WA 98262, reviewed the regular Blanket vouchers approval documents for October 2024 Expenses for approval of payments, on October 8th, 2024 and approved. "Vouchers audited and certified by RCW 42.24.080, and those expenses, reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been made available to the Board."

<u>Motion</u>: Commissioner Joan Moye made motion, "To approve the vouchers for October 2024 vouchers #241001001-241001022, and approve for payment those vouchers included in the list in the amount of \$12,645.68" Motion seconded by Commissioner Bill Lee, AND PASSED 3-0.

FINANCIAL/SECRETARY REPORTS: August 2024 report given.

**COMMUNICATIONS**: None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**: None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Board was provided with a copy of a draft SWOT introduction document. The Chief and Secretary find value in conducting a SWOT (Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, and Threats) Analysis where the district can celebrate its strengths, identify areas where we could improve and recognizing areas of threat, while seeking areas of opportunities. It is very early in the process with most work being months away. The board also agreed with completing a SWOT Analysis.

**RESOLUTIONS:** None.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER/ANNOUCEMENTS:** None.

## SIGNING OF THE DOCUMENTS:

<u>Motion</u>: There being no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Bill Lee moved and Commissioner Joan Moye seconded, to adjourn the meeting, AND PASSED 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Board Secretary Lisa Lish

Commissioner Joan Moye

Commissioner Bill Lee

Commissioner Dan Ohms

Approved at the Whatcom County Fire District # 11 Board of Commissioner Meeting on November 12th, 2024.