



WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.14
REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
July 9, 2024

PRESENT: Commissioner RobRoy Graham, Commissioner Chris Moe, Commissioner Russell Vreugdenhil, District Chief Jerry DeBruin, Assistant District Chief David Moe, Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr., and District Administrator Jo Olson.

Absent: Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp

Guests:

Meeting called to order at 4:00PM.

Items approved and signed by the Commissioners:

- Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes June 11, 2024
- Approval of Current Warrants and Payroll
 - Warrants in the amount of \$33,387.29 & ACH \$1,332.36
 - Payroll in the amount of \$49,847.68
- Approval Asset Addition, Army Truck to be BR-92
- Approval to look into and purchase a used command vehicle from Fire District 8
- Approval to purchase an EV blanket for electric car fires

Correction to June Meeting Minutes:

Resolution 2024-01 Updated PayScale form last month's meeting:

- Administrator Olson noted resolution number needs to be 2024-02 not 01

Motion: Commissioner Graham **motioned** to accept the resolution number change from 2024-01 to 2024-02 for the Updated PayScale approved last month. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

June's 2024 Treasurers Report:

714 Expense Fund

• Starting Cash Balance	686,524.16
• Tax Receipts	10,793.18
• Misc. Receipts	45,626.00
• Transfer in	3,034.71
• Warrants/Remittances	121,073.07
• Refund Interest Paid	6.58
• Ending Cash Balance	624,898.40
• Prior Investment Balance	33,796.41
• Purchase & Pool Earnings	105.24
• Ending Investment Balance	33,901.65
• Total Cash & Investment Pool	658,800.05

71420 Reserve Fund

• Starting Cash Balance	311,131.61
• Misc. Receipts	22,000.00
• Ending Cash Balance	333,131.61
• Prior Investment Balance	649,309.63
• Purchase & Pool Earnings	2,021.92
• Ending Investment Balance	651,331.55
• Total Cash & Investment Pool	984,463.16

71410 Go Bond

• Starting Cash Balance	94,717.40
• Dept Paid	42,468.61
• Debt interest Paid	22,248.79
• Total Disbursements	94,717.40
• Debt Outstanding	1,121,272.67

Bank of the Pacific Statement:

• Beginning Balance (6/01/2024)	884.51
• Deposits/Misc. Credits 26	19,696.74
• Withdrawals/Misc. Credits 5	20,080.90
• Ending Balance (6/30/2024)	500.35

Meeting Minutes:

June 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Commissioner Moe **motioned** to accept the Regular meeting minutes with noted correction number to resolution 2024-01 to 2024-02. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

Claim Payment Request & Payroll:

July 2024 Claim Vouchers and Payroll:

Motion: Commissioner Graham **motioned** to accept the Claim Vouchers and Payroll. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

Asset Addition Army Truck to be BR-92:

Motion: Commissioner Vreugdenhil **motioned** to accept the Addition of Army Truck to be BR-92. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Graham and approved.

BVFF Voucher for Reimb:

Motion: Commissioner Graham **motioned** to accept the voucher for physical reimbursement. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

BVFF Retirement Pension for Volunteer:

Motion: Commissioner Vreugdenhil **motioned** to accept the retirement pension for volunteer. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Graham and approved.

Old Business:

Loans:

- The loan for the firetruck was discussed and will revisit paying part of the loan off a few months before next payment is due.

Army Truck:

- Assistant Chief Moe spoke to the progress of the new army truck.

District Chief DeBruin:

New Command Vehicle:

- District Chief DeBruin spoke about Fire District 8 selling their used command vehicle and he thought it would be a great opportunity as we are in need of a new command vehicle and shared the details for the vehicle.
- Discussion on the need for a command vehicle

Motion: Commissioner Moe **motioned** to accept having District Chief DeBruin to look into purchasing the vehicle and purchase if it checks out. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

Electric Vehicle Blanket (EV Blanket):

- District Chief noted how with the increase of electric cars the need to purchase an EV Blanket.

Motion: Commissioner Moe **motioned** to accept the purchase of an EV blanket given the need as more electric cars are on the road now. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Graham and approved.

Assistant District Chief Moe:

Fire Academy:

- Assistant Chief Moe indicated the Fire Academy is finished.

Rescues & Rescue Training:

- District Chief DeBruin and Assistant Chief Moe spoke to out of area rescues and the impact to the district and the part that Search and Rescue plays along with the timing and use of rescue helicopter.
- District Chief DeBruin and Assistant Chief Moe noted what is involved in training for a rescue for the district.

Station Reports:

Station 91:

- No report

Station 92:

- Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr. indicated all is well at Station 92 and noted training is going great.

Station 93:

- No report

New Business:

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50PM with commissioners in agreement.

The next regular meeting will be on August 13, 2024 at **4:00 PM** at the Kendall Station:

Commissioner-Chair, RobRoy Graham

Commissioner, Chris Moe

Commissioner, Russell Vreugdenhil

District Administrator, Jo Olson