



**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.14
Special Meeting of REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
October 14, 2020**

Note: *Meeting October 14, 2020 due to Weather related power outage & COVID-19 restrictions preventing us to conduct our regular meeting on 10/13/2020

PRESENT: Commissioner RobRoy Graham, Commissioner Leonard Bjornstad, Commissioner Chris Moe, District Chief Jerry DeBruin, Training Officer David Moe, and Administrative Secretary, Jo Olson

ABSENT: Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp, & Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr. and Battalion Chief Denise Christensen

GUESTS:

"In light of the COVID-19 health crisis" In person Board of Commissioner meetings continue to be prohibited through November 9, 2020

Meeting called to order at 5:00PM - an online Meeting Using Zoom and streamed to Facebook to allow the public to attend

Items approved and signed by the Commissioners:

- Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for September 8, 2020
- Approval of Claim Payment Request, Draw 10 & Payroll
 - 714 Warrants in the amount of \$40,094.69
 - 71430 Draw 10 \$21,970.82
 - Payroll in the amount of \$40,289.83
- Approval of invoice vouchers for injured firefighter
- Approval of BVFF invoice voucher for retiree R. Vandiest
- Approval of BVFF certificate of eligibility for pension, W. DeBruin
- Approval of City of Sumas agreement extension of one year
- Approval of tax levy increase

- Approval of FEMA Grant purchasing, giving approval for District Chief DeBruin and Training Officer Moe to make purchases for new airpacks, a new air station, fit tester and additional face masks etc.

Meeting Minutes:

- Regular commissioner meeting minutes for September 8, 2020.
- Commissioner Graham noted the minutes were emailed to the commissioners for review
- **A motion** was made by commissioner Bjornstad to accept meeting minutes for September 8, 2020
- Commissioner Moe **seconded the motion**
- Meeting minutes were accepted by commissioners and will be electronically signed

Claim Payment Request & Payroll:

- Approval of claim vouchers including Draw 10 and payroll dated *October 14, 2020
- Commissioner Graham made **a motion** to accept the claim vouchers and payroll
- Commissioner Bjornstad **seconded the motion**
- It was noted one final draw is needed for final invoices on the Kendall remodel project
- Discussion continued on the Kendall remodel project, loan, and a few miscellaneous items

Volunteer Firefighter Invoice Vouchers for injury:

- Commissioner Moe made **a motion** to accept the invoice voucher
- Commissioner Bjornstad **seconded the motion**

Two Approvals of BVFF invoice voucher for Retiree R. Vandiest and a BVFF certificate of eligibility for pension for W. DeBruin

- Commissioners acknowledged and Commissioner Graham will sign forms (electronically)

City of Sumas agreement extension of one year:

- Discussion on agreement
- District Chief DeBruin discussed annexation and that the City is on board with it
- Commissioner Bjornstad made **a motion** to accept one-year extension
- Commissioner Moe seconded **the motion**

Resolution 2020-02 Tax Levy Increase:

- Commissioner Graham made **a motion** to accept the tax levy increase as presented
- Commissioner Bjornstad **seconded the motion**

Training Officer Moe:

FEMA Grant:

- Training Officer Moe noted the bids for Airpacks came in
- Training Officer Moe indicated they will be reviewing them and comparing quotes

Fire Academy:

- Training Officer Moe mentioned the live fire training for the fire academy which happened last weekend

District Chief DeBruin:

- District Chief DeBruin indicated he had nothing further to add

Meeting adjourned at 5:20PM

The next regular meeting will be on November10, 2020 at 5:00 PM, possible Zoom Meeting

Commissioner-Chair, RobRoy Graham

Commissioner, Leonard Bjornstad

Commissioner, Chris Moe

Administrative Secretary, Jo Olson