

Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 6

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MINUTES FROM January 8, 2025

Commissioners Guthrie, Larson and Schmitten met at the Monitor Fire Station. Also in attendance were Chief Lee, Amanda Floren, Kip Higdon, Steven Spies and Dawson Spies. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Guthrie at 7:00 PM.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the consent agenda items was made by Commissioner Larson and seconded by Commissioner Schmitten. Motion passed.

Financials \$433,599.53

Payroll \$9,164.00

VOUCHERS

A motion to approve the Vouchers was made by Commissioner Schmitten and seconded by Commissioner Larson. Motion passed.

Vouchers \$20,549.95

Voucher No.	Vendor	Amount
4398	LocalTel	423.81
4399	Waste Management	126.92
4400	ESO Solutions Inc	157.90
4401	RiverCom	737.26
4402	PUD	1,022.25
4403	Kelley Create	196.41
4404	LN Curtis and sons	744.89
4405	Coleman Oil	742.64
4406	Upper Valley Excavating	1,808.11
4407	First Due	5,853.60
4408	Chris Higdon	39.40
4409	WFCA	2,500.00
4410	Door-Tech Inc	284.55
4411	Visa	609.41
4412	Jerry's Auto Supply	143.03
4413	Employment Security – CARES 4 th QTR	222.00
4414	Employment Security – WPFML 4 th QTR	202.32
4415	WSDOT	235.45
4416	Resource Solutions	4,500.00
	Total	\$20,549.95

CORRESPONDENCE

Fire District Received \$2,250 in donations for Extrication Equipment.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioners discussed the Letter of Authority for Financial Fund Designation with the County Treasurer for Dwight Remick. Commissioner Schmitten made a motion to approve the Letter of Authority for Dwight Remick. Commissioner Larson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Commissioners tabled the At-Will Volunteer Form. Will discuss at next meeting. Commissioners would like to include a disclaimer on liability for personal vehicles on form.

Chief Lee will be meeting with Insurance adjuster tomorrow on the water leak issue at the Dryden Fire Station. Plumbco came out with new equipment to trace back leak. Found that water line was right next to sewer line. Plumbco gave quote of \$17,460 to complete entire project.

Commissioners discussed Levy status. Commissioner Schmitten informed the board that Mike Steele was unable to meet. Commissioners suggested sending photos and a list of current issues in an email to his office. Commissioner Schmitten also presented a levy proposal by Michelle. Michelle would like to run the levy in the August Election. Suggested Commissioners work on getting the word out, coming up with a contact list, and getting everyone onboard.

Chief Lee presented Michelle's Scope of Work Contract. Chief Lee informed the Commissioners that the Volunteer Association has agreed to cover the cost of the contract.

Chief Lee presented Commissioners with paperwork from Cashmere Valley Bank to increase Credit Card Limits. Commissioner Guthrie signed the request.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Chiefs Report:

The Chief informed the Board that LWFR, Fire 3 and Fire 6 were partnering up with a Continuity of Coverage Plan for all major fires within district areas to help with Insurance Ratings.

The Chief informed the Board that the Insurance and Ratings are wanting the District to Pump Test Wildland Trucks. Currently trucks are not rated. It would cost approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000 to test trucks.

The Chief informed the Board that he and Michelle would be working on a 4-year FEMA grant to hire an Assistant Chief Recruitment Officer. Commissioner Larson made a motion to approve the pursuit of grant with Michelle. Commissioner Schmitten seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

The Chief informed the Board that the District had 68 calls in December of 2024.

The Chief informed the Board that the First Due Reporting Software was going live starting February 1, 2025.

The Chief informed the Board that the new WEMSIS reporting system took about 3 hours to complete 1 report. Now it takes about 15 to 20 minutes per report.

The Chief informed the Board that Hay Canyon Neighbors were having a problem with another neighbor burning on his property. District informed him he needed a permit to burn. The neighbor burned again. District contacted DOE, they will come in and enforce the illegal burning.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Kip thanked Chief Lee for the purchase of the handheld lighted stop signs. Says they work great!

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.