



KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT # 7
MINUTES OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
February 9th, 2022 18:00

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 18:00 hours at station 72, on February 9th, 2022. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Vice Chair Robert Cernick.

PRESENT: Commissioner Vice Chair Robert Cernick Commissioner Justin Zipperer, Chief Sinclair, and District Secretary Micallef were all present. Commissioner Chair Bill Dickinson was present via phone. There were a few members of KCFD7 and the public also in attendance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Commissioner Zipperer motioned to approve the agenda as is. Commissioner Cernick seconded the motion, and the Board voted 2-0 and the agenda was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Introductions of all Board members was done.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Meeting Minutes were presented for approval. Meeting minutes were from the January 2022 regular meeting and the January Special Joint Meeting. Commissioner Zipperer motioned to approve and sign both meeting minutes, Commissioner Cernick seconded the motion, the Board Voted 2-0 and signed the meeting minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

FINANCIAL REPORT: Financial Report was presented. The balance in all of the accounts was \$1,646,452.54 at the end of January.

Check registers were presented and signed.

CHIEFS REPORT:

Laycock Lawsuit: Nothing new to report on this.

I-90 Life Support: We submitted a request for the Generator at Station 7-3, 2-Thermal Imaging Cameras and 4-4-gas monitors.

John Hamel: John Hamel turned 80 this week and has decided to not be a volunteer anymore. He is to be congratulated on decades of service to the community. The Firefighters Association will be providing him with a gift card to a local restaurant.

2022 Legislative session: HSB1735 Police Reform, WA Cares long term care act, Behavioral Health, Fire Benefit Charges, Transportation Bills, LEOFF 1 benefit enhancements, Bill 5839 (a crime to interfere with public safety individuals), increasing penalties for stealing from fire stations.

My Schedule: Chief Sinclair is here for the next couple of months.

Deputy Chief Position: 9 candidates have applied.



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Covid-19: Rates are down on the westside, still high in Kittitas County but expected to fall.

COMMISSIONER REPORT : Commissioner Chair Dickinson attended KFACC meeting, more talk on funding and DNR changes.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Consulting Company for consolidation:** Two companies gave quotes, tabled until next joint meeting so that the two boards can discuss the options.
- b. **Future Meeting for Consolidation:** March 2nd at 6pm at KVFR
- c. **Tenders:** Foster gave a review of the new tenders and said discussions on how to do the third tender have started. The last chassis for the old tender just sold on Public Surplus for \$38,600. New Brush Truck chassis will be picked up tomorrow. And Station 71 had some potential flooding, Foster will make sure the station is ok after tonight's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Deputy Chief Assessment Center:** Friday February 25th at Suncadia. All commissioners are welcome to be part of it.
- b. **Boiler at Station 72:** Went out of service, needs to be replaced. \$17,000 estimate, Chief and Commissioners award it to A & C mechanical. A & C mechanical warned the same issue could happen in the future at Station 73 in the two boilers there, and to plan in the next few years to have to replace those as well.
- c. **Shop Help:** Grant Victor has been helping out at Station 72 with small duties to help the mechanic get caught up, and to help get apparatus ready for surplus. Will be paid hourly and it is only temporary. He will be starting with the Roslyn Fuels Crew in March.

Good of the order: Kristin Carlson introduced herself as the PIO/PEO and president of the Volunteer Association. Meetings for the Volunteer Association will now be every other month. Redoing the website. Will try to give updates at commissioner meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 18:37

APPROVED

Kittitas County Fire District No. 7,
Kittitas County Washington

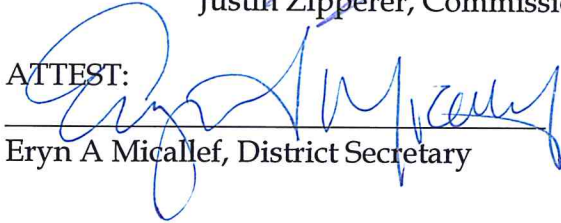
By: Bill Dickinson
Bill Dickinson, Commissioner Chair



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Robert Cernick, Commissioner Vice Chair

By: 
Justin Zipperer, Commissioner

ATTEST: 
Eryn A Micallef, District Secretary