



**KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT # 7**  
**MINUTES OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 18:00**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 18:00 hours at station 72, on March 9th, 2022. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Chair Bill Dickinson.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Chair Bill Dickinson, Commissioner Vice Chair Robert Cernick, Commissioner Justin Zipperer, Chief Sinclair, and Admin Assistant Sandy Malcolm, were all present. PIO Carlson and Facilities Foster were present. There were a few members of KCFD7 and the public also in attendance.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Commissioner Chair Bill Dickinson motioned to approve the agenda as is. Commissioner Zipperer seconded the motion, and the Board voted 3-0 and the agenda was approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Meeting Minutes were presented for approval. Meeting minutes were from the February 2022 regular meeting and the February Special Meeting. Commissioner Vice Chair Cernick motioned to approve and sign both meeting minutes, Commissioner Zipperer seconded the motion, the Board Voted 3-0 and signed the meeting minutes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Letter of appreciation to C shift, Beau Foster and Grant Victor was shared. Thank you for Holiday events was also presented.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Treasurer's Report was presented. The balance in all of the accounts was \$1,413,656.57 at the end of February.

Check registers were presented Commissioner Vice Chair Cernick motioned to sign them, Commissioner Zipperer seconded the motion and check registers were signed.

**CHIEFS REPORT:**

**Laycock Lawsuit:** We are filing for a summary judgement and dismissal of the case based on the Statue of Limitations.

**Mechanic Request:** Chief Sinclair has received a request from Chris Cobain, our mechanic to assist him with a pay increase to handle his fuel costs. He has a young family and his fuel expenses have gone up to travel to work. His previous employer, Kittitas County Public Works is trying to get him to return to their shop in Ellensburg. Chris is doing a great job and I would prefer to keep him in his position. Chief suggests that we look at the budget. Commissioner Cernick motioned to have a discussion about this, Commissioner Zipperer seconded the motion, a discussion will follow after a review of the budget.

**Fleet Committee Report:** BC Ewing gave a report of where the new tenders and brush trucks would be placed. Stated we are very short on staff vehicles. Beau Foster is currently looking at used vehicles.



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Recording of Meetings: There has been a want from the Union to record the meetings. Commissioners decided to vote on it. Commissioner Chair Dickinson voted no, Commissioner Vice Chair voted no, Commissioner Zipper voted yes. 2-1 vote, meetings will not be recorded.

2022 Legislative session: Session ends on Friday. Several bills have passed which are a benefit to the District. Most important one passed was on how law enforcement can respond. We may need to rescind the policy about response to mental health calls now.

My Schedule: No planned vacation currently.

ESCI: In speaking with the consultant, it was determined that one agency should take the lead and sign the NPPGOV contract. KVFR is in the process of that paperwork and we are working with the group to schedule on-site meetings.

Covid-19 Information: We will be complying with the ongoing masking requirements for non-vaccinated personnel. It appears that starting on the 12<sup>th</sup>, we can stop masking except when there is an unvaccinated person. Chief has confirmed that fire stations are not being treated as health care facilities.

**COMMISSIONER REPORT :** No Report

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Deputy Chief List: The final hiring list was presented. Commissioner Zipperer motioned to approve the list, Commissioner Cernick seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0 to approve the list.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Station 75 DNR: Land is currently owned by DNR. They are not able to sell it at this time we will need to a lease that should be prepared by the next meeting.
- b. Surplus Apparatus Discussion: Was discussed in the Fleet report. The old Tender 711 will be surplus and not kept.
- c. Next KVFR/KCFD7 Consolidation Meeting date: April 13<sup>th</sup> after the regular meeting. Scheduled for 19:00.

**Good of the order:** None

Meeting was adjourned at 18:50

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Kittitas County Fire District No. 7,  
Kittitas County Washington

By: Bill Dickinson  
Bill Dickinson, Commissioner Chair

By: Robert Cernick  
Robert Cernick, Commissioner Vice Chair

By: Justin Zipperer  
Justin Zipperer, Commissioner

ATTEST: Eryn A Micallef  
Eryn A Micallef, District Secretary