

#### THURSTON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS 1 & 11

# WEST THURSTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY



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July 12, 2021 – Governing Board Business Meeting at Sargent Rd station.

Call to Order/Attendance: Commissioner Dahl called the meeting to order at 18:00 hours. Commissioners Culleton, Jernigan, Pethia and Ricks, Chiefs Kaleiwahea, Scott, and R. Smith, Captain Dyer, Union Representative Trautman, Legal Counsel Eric Quinn (via Zoom), Rehab Coordinator S. Giordano (via Zoom), Admin Assistant Linda Patraca and Secretary Linda Shea were present. Commissioner Elkins and Chief Stone were absent.

**Executive/Closed Session**: Commissioner Dahl called a thirty-minute Executive/Closed Session at 18:01 to discuss:

- 1. Legal strategy with counsel Quinn on upcoming tribal mediation (42.30.110(1)(i); and
- 2. Labor negotiations/collective bargaining (not subject to OPMA).

It was announced that the board reconvened back into a general session at 18:31 with no action taken.

### Public Comments/Presentations: None.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Expenditure Approval. Commissioner Pethia asked about the JAMS (tribal mediation), Littlerock Auto Body repair (E1-1), and Systems Design (\$20k was PCG annual fee for GEMT cost report services.) Commissioner Jernigan moved to approve the expenditures of \$519,580.63. Commissioner Ricks seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- 2. <u>Meeting Minutes</u>. Commissioner Pethia moved to approve the minutes of June 14, 2021. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- 3. Resolution #2021-012, Surplus Property. Linda S. presented Resolution #2021-012 to surplus the two old diesel fuel tanks, APP 07 (1995 H&W engine), and miscellaneous equipment. Chief Scott confirmed the engine would be sold through Fenton Fire (with a 10% commission), and the proceeds would be placed into the Equipment Reserve fund. Commissioner Jernigan moved to approve Resolution #2021-012. Commissioner Pethia seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- 4. Resolution #2021-013, Surplus of Beaver Creek. Linda S. presented Resolution #2021-013 to surplus the Beaver Creek parcel for future sale. Commissioner Dahl recommended the department set an established date by which offers would be reviewed to ensure the best sale price. Chief Kaleiwahea noted the proceeds from the sale have been planned for use in establishing a response station in the Mima area. Commissioner Pethia moved to approve Resolution #2021-013. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- 5. <u>Policy #1014</u>, <u>Records Management update</u>. Linda Patraca presented changes to Policy #1014, mostly removing procedural sections and updating references. Commissioner Pethia moved to approve the changes to Policy #1014. Commissioner Culleton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

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## **Unfinished Business (action items):**

- 1. Purchase Request Sta 1-1 outbuildings heater. Pending
- 2. <u>Future board meetings virtual and minimum mandatory</u>. Discussion was held on standards the board wanted to consider for attendance at board meetings. The board agreed that any board member who wished to attend virtually must obtain approval from the board chair.

## **Unfinished Business (nonaction items):**

- 1. <u>Chehalis Tribe negotiations</u>. Chief Kaleiwahea presented a contract for an expert witness on the upcoming mediation with the tribe, as well as the recently published state attorney general opinion related to the discussion.
- 2. <u>Weyerhaeuser agreement</u>. Chief Kaleiwahea presented communication which indicates there is no update on the lease, but discussion has been started on securing a water source close to the Mima area in the interim.
- 3. <u>Maytown well</u>. Chief Kaleiwahea reported that two observation holes have been drilled, and the technician with Insight Geologic is waiting on a pump to complete the testing.

#### Communications:

- 1. Thurston County Treasurer June 2021 reports were presented as per RCW 52.16.050(4).
- 2. July 2021 budget reports were presented.

## Chief/Training/EMS Reports: Refer to printed reports.

- 1. Chief Scott reported the new fuel tanks have been delivered. There was discussion about the need to store these tanks in a more secure, out-of-sight location.
- 2. Captain Dyer reported the department participated in the Swede Day and Fourth of July Littlerock parade events.
- 3. Union Representative Trautman reported the labor negotiations are going well.

## **Commissioner Reports:**

- 1. Commissioner Ricks reported on the Medic One lid lift updates, and the council's concerns about transport unit delays at the hospitals. He also mentioned that WTRFA was approved for an \$1,812 grant for medical equipment from Medic One.
- 2. Commissioner Pethia noted he has written an article for the new "Commissioner's Corner" section of the newsletter.

Good of the Order: Linda S. presented a thank-you card that was received from a citizen, along with a \$50 donation. Chief Smith noted the ice cream donation was from a local insurance agency who delivered ice cream to each station.

**Adjournment**: The board adjourned the meeting at 19:19 hours.

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Submitted for Board approval by:

Linda Shea, Secretary

Tom Culleton, Board Member

Calvin Dahl, Board Member

Ben Elkins, Board Member

John Ricks, Board Member

Jeff Jernigan, Board Member