



THURSTON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS 1 & 11
**WEST THURSTON REGIONAL FIRE
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January 10, 2022 – Governing Board Business Meeting at Sargent Rd (Grand Mound 1-1) station

Call to Order/Attendance: Commissioner Pethia called the meeting to order at 18:00 hours. Commissioners Culleton (via Zoom), Dahl, Elkins (via Zoom), Jernigan, and Ricks, Chiefs Kaleiwahea, Scott, R. Smith, and R. Stone (via Zoom), Captains Dyer and E. Smith (via Zoom), FFs Santee and Dean, Admin Volunteer S. Giordano (via Zoom), Admin Assistant Linda Patraca, and Secretary Linda Shea were present. Union Representative Garza was absent.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: None.

Public Comments/Presentations: Commissioner Ricks inquired of the neighbor's property next to the Rochester 1-3 station after the flooding event and if there was a response from her after the department sent her a letter. Chief Smith reported that Ms. Brady recently sent an email communication regarding her continued stance on the department's responsibility for the runoff on her property. Given that the communication does not specifically address a new issue that wasn't covered in the department's letter, the board believes no response is necessary.

Labor Management: Chief Smith reported that labor negotiations will begin this week.

New Business:

1. Expenditure Approval. Commissioner Dahl moved to approve the expenditures of \$528,089.01. Commissioner Ricks seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
2. Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Dahl moved to approve the general board minutes of December 13, 2021. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
3. Resolution #2022-01, Surplus Property. Linda S. presented Resolution #2022-01 to dispose of surplus property. Commissioner Jernigan moved to approve Resolution #2022-01. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Unfinished Business (action items): None.

Unfinished Business (nonaction items):

1. Chehalis Tribe negotiations. No update.

Communications:

1. Thurston County Treasurer December 2021 reports were presented as per RCW 52.16.050(4).
2. January 2022 budget reports were presented.

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

1. Chief Smith:
 - a. Call volume is up from 2020 by 21%.

- b. Crews are maintaining an eight-minute response despite inclement weather, with a 90 second turn-out time on all shifts.
 - c. COVID is causing issues with scheduling.
 - d. The Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting is Wednesday January 12.
 - e. Erik Palmerson was promoted to the lieutenant position vacated by Nathan Drake's promotion.
2. Chief Scott:
- a. Tender chassis model has been identified; latest delivery should be October.
 - b. The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at Grand Mound was staffed January 6-9 for the flood event, serving as a base operation for the Lacey and TCSO dive teams.
3. Captain Dyer:
- a. Department is following revised CDC guidelines for 5-day quarantine after a COVID exposure.
 - b. 2,000 COVID tests are on order.
 - c. Kudos to FF Santee for his assistance with the district's Spanish-speaking families during the holidays and the flood event.

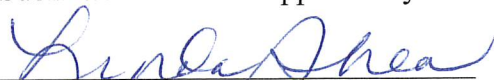
Commissioner Reports: No reports.

Good of the Order:


- 1. Commissioner Dahl asked that a thank-you letter be sent to Jeff Foster, who assisted the dive teams with his tractor on the Prather Rd rescue. Chief Scott noted that thank-you letters will be sent to all the mutual aid agencies and businesses that assisted with the flood event.
- 2. Linda S. confirmed that annual banquet planning is under way, with a tentative date of February 12.
- 3. Commissioner Pethia asked for confirmation of the January 15 HAM radio training, which was confirmed to be 10:00 AM start time.

Adjournment: The board adjourned the general meeting at 18:55 hours.

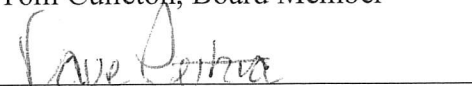
Submitted for Board approval by:



 Linda Shea, Secretary



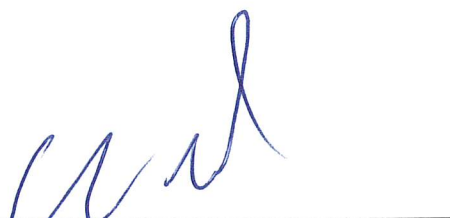
 Tom Culleton, Board Member



 Dave Pethia, Board Member



 John Ricks, Board Member



 Calvin Dahl, Board Member

 Ben Elkins, Board Member

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