EAST COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE

REGULAR BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

September 15, 2020 Station 91 6:30 PM

Approved Minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Martha Martin Joshua Seeds Pam Jensen

Mike Taggart Chief Carnes

Sherry Petty Robert Jacobs

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Martha Martin called the meeting to order at 18:32 via a Zoom Meeting. Flag salute was dispensed with.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval of September 1, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Approval of September 1, 2020 Local BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes
- 3. Approval of September 2, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes
- 4. Approval of Financial Transactions
- 5. Excuse Absent Commissioner(s): Commissioner Berg, excused absence.

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Seeds. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

STAFF REPORT:

Chief Carnes read his report; a copy is in the packet.

Commissioner Petty asked about the financial costs to the District when a firefighter is on a mobe. Chief Carnes said DNR reimburses the District for costs associated with mobes.

Discussion was held in regards to the Washougal River Road fire, the high volume of calls, types of calls and response times.

Assistant Chief Jacobs gave his report as follows:

August EST training was on Monday, August 24, 2020.

September EST training will be on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, Station 93 at 7:00 PM.

August tender training was on Monday, August 31, 2020.

September tender training will be on Monday, September 28, 2020, Station 93 at 7:00 PM.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION:

No business.

SAFETY REPORT:

- Last Safety Committee meeting was on August 27, 2020.
- Next Safety Committee meeting will be on October 29, 2020 at Station 91, 7:30 PM. No reported accidents/incidents since the last board meeting.

FIRE DISTRICT BUSINESS:

New Squad Update

AC Jacobs is awaiting delivery of the new MDC's. The new squad will need to be licensed and the ECFR decals applied.

Station 95

Chief Carnes let the Board know he had sent the City of Washougal an email regarding the Board's decision on the requested repairs. Chief Carnes stated the City of Washougal had responded via email thanking him for checking on the requested repairs.

EMS Agreement

Chief Carnes and Commissioner Seeds discussed the EMS/ILA Committee Meeting held on September 3, 2020. Discussion was held with the Board regarding the spreadsheets Commissioner Seeds had prepared with updated numbers from C/W Fire Department, the EMS Levy and ECFR District residents insurance collection amounts. Commissioner Seeds will email the updated spreadsheets to the Board.

Resolution # 266-09152020 Surplus 28' Duo-Safety Ladder

The purpose of this resolution is authoring the disposal of a 28' Duo-Safety Ladder deemed to be surplus.

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve Resolution # 266-09152020 Surplus 28' Duo-Safety Ladder, seconded by Commissioner Seeds. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution # 267-09152020 Surplus Apparatus #918 (Squad 91)

The purpose of this resolution is authorizing the disposal of Apparatus #918 (Squad 91).

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve Resolution # 267-09152020 Surplus Apparatus #918 (Squad 91), seconded by Commissioner Petty. Motion passed unanimously.

FY2020 Budget Amendment Revisions

Chief Carnes let the Board know Leasehold Excise Tax revenue has been received since the September 3 meeting. Chief Carnes requested the revenue be allocated to the Overtime Budget Expense. The Board is in agreement with the revision.

Resolution No. 268-09152020 FY2020 Budget Amendment

The Purpose of this resolution is to adopt FY2020 Amended Operating Budget

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to approve Resolution No. 268-09152020, seconded by Commissioner Petty. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Communication with Neighboring Elected Officials
City of Camas – TBA
City of Washougal – TBA

Risk Group TBA

Safety Committee Representative
October 29, 2020, 7:30 PM, Station 91

Revenue Exploratory Committee TBA

ECAAB TBA

EMS/ILA Committee
TBA

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Seeds commented on the recent Washougal River Road fire and the lack of corridors for evacuating people out of that area if the fire would have spread. As a citizen, Commissioner Seeds will be discussing the safety and lack of infrastructure in place with the Clark County Council.

Commissioner Seeds said he has been talking with Chief Carnes and the Clark Conservation District to educate the District residents on the Firewise program, defensible space and alternatives to burning for the management of brush and yard debris. Commissioner Seeds suggested Board members donate to victims of the west coast wildfires.

Chairperson Martin thanked those responsible for the 9/11 post on ECFR's Facebook page. Chairperson Martin passed on Port Commissioner Spencer's appreciation to the firefighters who put out a small fire on his property. Chairperson Martin said she attended the Washougal City Council Meeting on September 14 and a question came up regarding a property owner that had a fire in their backyard and the property owner refused entry to the CW Fire Department. Chairperson Martin asked Chief Carnes if they can refuse entry even when other property is in danger. Chief Carnes said yes, the property owner could refuse entry to the fire department.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

None

LOCAL BOARD FOR VOLUNTEER F/F & RESERVE OFFICERS:

No business.

ROUND TABLE:

Monthly Event Calendar Strategic Planning Meeting, October 7, 2020, 2:00 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Regular Board Meeting: October 6, 2020 Station 91, 6:30PM

Motion by Commissioner Taggart to adjourn at 19:43 hours, seconded by Commissioner Seeds. Motion passed unanimously.

Martha Martin, Chairperson

Sherry Petty, Commissioner

Joshua Seeds, Vice Chair

Mike Berg, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Pam Jensen, District Secretary

DISTRICT SEAL: