

YCFD#2 Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, August 16, 2022

A. Call to Order: 18:29

B. Roll Call: *Commissioner Helms, Commissioner Boyle, Chief Lange, Secretary Christine Willis, Guest Roger Bell*

C. Approval of Minutes: *July 12, 2022, Meeting Minutes, Motion to approve by Commissioner Boyle, 2nd by Commissioner Helms, all approved with minor correction adding Lacy Roofing to General Business, Financial Report, Expense Vouchers.*

D. General Business:

1. Financial Report:

a. Deposits:

a. Fund Balances:

(1) Expense Fund.....	\$ 714,445.01
(2) Fire Inv. Pool	\$ 1,628,150.00
(3) EMS Fund.....	\$ 71,992.30
(4) EMS Inv. Pool.....	\$ 13,530.00

b. Review of Expense Vouchers:

(1) Lacy Roofing.....	\$ 7,461.76
(2) Lacy Roofing.....	\$ 10,659.60
(3) City of Selah.....	\$ 456,401.00
(4) City of Selah.....	\$ 62,904.00
(5) Montoya Hinckley.....	\$ 448.00

Total: \$ 537,874.36

E. Unfinished Business:

Joint Agreement – *Chief Lange stated there has been no follow up by Attorney Rob Case. Chief Lange spoke to the Mayor, who stated they are busy working on other things. Deadline is September 15, 2022.*

Single Ambulance Provider RFP, Concerns For Ambulance Responses Update – *Chief Lange stated there is no update. He had a conversation with Dave from AMR, still at county procurement, no contract has been signed to review proposals yet. Chief Lange will call Commissioner McKinney tomorrow and will push the issue. Ambulance service has improved.*

EMS Levy – *Chief Lange stated that they have started collecting donations from the firefighter's association, budget is written and is working on getting signs next week. A special meeting will be held to collect signs and get ready to post. All being done off duty, personal cars and street clothes within a couple weeks.*

Communication Committee Meeting – *Chief Lange stated they had a meeting and discussed repairs to all sites, what has been done, and what hasn't been done, including a replacement*

plan. This is still pending hearing from other committee for funding. Districts are deciding to stick to the current systems pending hearing about countywide decision with ARPA funds. Generator Grant Update – Chief Lange stated Tony spoke to him last week, still a supply and demand issue. Tony found a place last week that has the generator Nile needs in stock, so he asked the company to try and find the one Selah needs. Received approval from FEMA to resubmit for up-to-date pricing which has already been approved, just need to have new quotes to submit.

Roof Update – Chief Lange stated Station 24 and 26 roofs are completed and paid for and they look great.

F. New Business:

No new business

G. Chief's Report:

Commissioner's Conference October 26-29, 2022, in Chelan – *One class that might be valuable but unsure if worth going for the entire weekend.*

Station 22 – *Water sample was taken, no one can find where the depth of the well was recorded. No results on contamination yet.*

Generator Maintenance Agreement – *Agreement was updated today for council meeting next week to obtain approval for 5-year plan.*

Station 22 Property Mowing – *Noticed that the property needs to be mowed. Commissioner Helms agreed to have the lower portion mowed but leave the upper portion where Chief Lange has already marked out with flags for the pending training facility.*

Grants – *All still pending; County ARPA funds will not notify anyone until the end of the year, Safer Grant still does not show any results, DOD Grant for training facility is next month, recently put in for Gary Sinise Grant asking for EMS bags and Dickie's Restaurant Grant asking for aerial.*

WRSB Update – *WRSB wanted more information on hydrants and water flow from Chief Lange, supposed to done and to Chief Lange by the end of the month.*

Budget 2023/2024 – *City's calculation is 40.2 and district is 59.8. Chief Lange has been working on his budget as costs have gone up immensely, proposed by retired Chief Hannah was \$300,000, Chief Lange has tripled to \$900,000 and still unsure if that is enough. Chief Lange has moved numbers around and is suggesting putting more money into reserves and less into expenditure. Capitol Improvement Plan talks about the replacement of extractor and washer, carpet upstairs, hose, truck equipment, ladder truck which has tax and license of \$110,000, SCBA compressor, and 2024 Station 21 addition. Commissioner Helms asked if there was a need for Station 21 expansion. Chief Lange stated there is a need for PPE room but not sure if the room is worth the expense of the expansion. Station 21 will need a new roof soon and swamp coolers/air conditioning unit, which could be all tied in together into one project. Will need more room for additional personnel as well. Commissioner Boyle feels that we are headed towards 24/7 department if we do not get more volunteer help and need to build accordingly. Possibly bring up at Joint Board meeting. Chief Lange stated the Deputy Chief Gillie and Lieutenant Willis have been doing great work to recruit. Chief Lange is also looking to promote next year for a Recruitment Retention Officer. Commissioner Boyle stated that the lack of help/volunteers is everywhere, and Commissioner Helms followed up with the fact that the state requirements didn't help. Department is growing faster than original projections showed.*

Capitol Improvement Plan – *The plan has been updated as of today and Chief Lange emailed it out.*

Phone Calls - *Michael Evans called and was not very nice to Chief Lange. He was accusing firefighters of driving the duty truck for personal errands. Chief Lange tried explaining that there are errands that the firefighters do run and was cursed at and hung up on by Michael Evans. Chief Lange had another upset resident call who lives around 1st and Goodlander about how many times the sirens go by his house. Chief Lange tried to explain that this is a requirement and it was not received well by the resident.*

H. Commissioners' Report:

No new business

I. Secretary's Report:

No new business

J. Public Comment:

No new business

K. Adjournment: *19:22*

Next Meeting: September 13, 2022, SFD Sta. 21, 6:30 PM