

YCFD#2 Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, May 17, 2022

A. Call to Order: 18:30

B. Roll Call: Commissioner Helms, Commissioner Boyle, Commissioner Reed, Chief Lange, Secretary Christine Willis

C. Approval of Minutes: April 12, 2022, Meeting Minutes, Motion to approve by Commissioner Reed, 2nd by Commissioner Boyle, all approved.

D. General Business:

1. Financial Report:

a. Deposits:

a. Fund Balances:

(1) Expense Fund.....	\$ 617,192.01
(2) Fire Inv. Pool	\$ 1,628,150.00
(3) EMS Fund.....	\$ 79,150.71
(4) EMS Inv. Pool.....	\$ 13,530.00

b. Review of Expense Vouchers:

(1) Dan Boyle.....	\$ 542.76
Total:	\$ 542.76

E. Unfinished Business:

Single Ambulance Provider RFP, Concerns For Ambulance Responses Update – Chief Lange stated agreement went out 2 weeks ago. Chief Lange attended Zoom meeting for potential bidders, unfortunately attorney could not answer any questions.

EMS Levy – Chief Lange will be Vice Chair. Thursday is Chief's meeting and County Fire Commissioners' meeting, they are deciding to go to .25 cents/permanent, does not reset every year, limited to 1%, talk at leaving it .25 cents continuous 10 year or move down to 6 which would have to be super majority vote. Commissioner Helms and Commissioner Reed say to go for 6 years. Commissioner Boyle is concerned about losing .18 cents by simple majority. EMS Levy Committee at a standstill right now, it has taken entire week to get bank account set up. All positions nominated and elected for social media, PIO, etc. Vote for 6 years continuance, all Commissioners in verbal agreeance.

Communication Committee Meeting – Commissioner Reed stated they are making progress. Trying to figure out surplus gear, DNR not making much progress with agreements for mountain tops so Commissioner Reed is trying to get more information from the person that manages the leases. Cowiche Mountain, Commissioner Reed needs to get with the contact for Fish and Wildlife to see if they would entertain a site change if continue to have trouble with Mercy. Equipment modestly in good shape. Commissioner Reed assumed Chair of Communication Infrastructure Committee. Things are in a good place, we need to make sure our equipment is good for the long run. Chief Lange said the scheduling to look at the surplus equipment should

be scheduled fairly soon, conflict with time trying to get multiple people to attend. Chief Lange stated that the countywide radios are all held up with City of Yakima Police Department as they want to go digital. Today YPD was told to figure out how to buy their own radios.

Joint Agreement – Commissioners agree to send Joint Agreement to attorney. Secretary Willis to contact Kevan Montoya to review and give suggestions. She will make sure to let him know that this has not gone to the City yet and that we want to make sure we are covered, request his opinion.

Agenda Posting – Secretary Willis stated that she contacted Treesa at the City of Selah and she suggested posting the agenda on the Selah Fire Department website which is a link on the City site. With Chief Lange's assistance, Secretary Willis got in touch with Firefighter Stuker and he will be posting the monthly agenda for public view. Commissioner Boyle will be investigating to see if minutes need to be posted as well.

F. New Business:

Resolution 3-22 – Yakima County Fire District No 2 Hazard Mitigation Plan, Commissioner Reed motioned to approve, 2nd by Commissioner Boyle, all approved.

G. Chief's Report:

Station 24 – Replaced roof shingles, positive it is the original roofing, might need new roof. Commissioner Helms asked Chief Lange to get quotes to have it replaced with composite. Chief Lange will drive out to Station 26 and look at that roof as well. He doesn't think Station 24 needs expansion right now but wants to start thinking about expanding due to possible change with staffing.

Generator Grant Update – Still on-going, spoke to Tony and waiting on updated price quotes from PP&L, must then get quotes from independent contractors to install.

DNR Wildfire Ready Neighbors Grant – Received grant, approximately \$18,136.00 for 100 blue reflective signs and the numbering to go on them and 2 iPads including the service.

\$100,000 Grant – Commissioner Boyle stated this is still in final scoring.

County ARPA Grant – Reimbursement grant, want fire department to pay for everything up front and to show a match. Fire Chiefs disagreed. According to Commissioner McKinney, if you don't put in money, you are at the bottom of the pile. Chief Lange had put in for all new extrication equipment.

Ambulance RFP – Posted May 4th, cost is outrageous to pay, \$600,000 a year, for ambulance to be in Selah, but there are lots of other options. Chief Lange has not gotten in contact yet with anyone just putting out feelers at this point.

EMS Reserve Funds – Would like to purchase bags for calls but will table for next month's meeting for current fund availability.

WSSRB – National Survey and Ratings in area last week, went well, closer to meeting insurance rating, he gave us credit for ladder truck. Current rating is 5 in City, 6 in County, gave Chief Lange said he was given simple things to improve, including weighing the trucks every year, quarterly newsletter which Secretary Huri is working on, and move employees around as you must have 6 firefighters at a station to be able to call it a station.

Commissioner Dinner – Chief Lange RSVP'd for the 3 Commissioners and himself for the Thursday night Commissioner dinner.

Truck 21 – Final specs came to a \$2,000 difference over what was paid but still \$17,000 less than budgeted for how it was paid. Delivery will be June, 2023.

H. Commissioners' Report:

No new business.

I. Secretary's Report:

No new business

J. Public Comment:

No new business

K. Adjournment: *19:21*

Next Meeting: June 14th, 2022, SFD Sta. 21, 6:30 PM