



Pierce County Fire District 13

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**Minutes
Board of Fire Commissioners May 10, 2022**

Commissioner Noll called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call led by **Commissioner Noll** to confirm quorum has been met. Present for the meeting: **Commissioner Malone (via Zoom), Commissioner Zuluaga, Chief Wassall, BC Sandstrom**
Members of the Public and Staff 6

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: Motion- A motion was made by **Commissioner Zuluaga** to approve the meeting minutes April 12, 2022, Regular Meeting.

Seconded Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

Vouchers:

Motion-A motion was made by **Commissioner Zuluaga** to approve vouchers #17185-17225 in the amount of \$44,798.91 for Monthly Payables.

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

Motion-A motion was made by **Commissioner Zuluaga** to approve voucher #17226 in the amount of \$25,378.89 for Deposits.

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

Motion-A motion was made by **Commissioner Zuluaga** to approve vouchers #17227-17235 in the amount of \$0.0 for GL Audit fix.

Seconded: Commissioner Malone

Passed (Unanimous)

Correspondence:

Thank You from Dash Point Social and Improvement Club for BC Sandstrom for attending the April 26th annual membership meeting.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEES:

Chief Report

Presented by: Chief Wassall

Calls: 28 total calls, 3 Fire Calls, 18 EMS calls, 2 MVA's, 4 Service Calls and 1 Mutual Aid Fire call.

Staffing and Recruiting: CVA22-01 is close to finishing the fire side of academy. We are going to North Bend on Saturday for their live fire training and evaluations. They will move into HazMat and get ready for IFSAC testing the later part of June. Our next academy is scheduled to start on August 1st. We will need to adjust academy dates due to the Salmon Bake. We have not developed a plan yet. We continue to get requests for academy. We have a white board in the admin office which we are keeping a list of possible recruits and where they are in the process. Staffing for the department has been sparce and with me being out has not helped.

Financial Report:

GL Trial Balance cash on hand:	\$431,023.91
Less 05-10-2022 expenses	-44,798.91
Deposits (not yet posted)	<u>\$25,308.01</u>
Remaining cash on hand:	\$411,533.01

Reserves: \$357,483.88

Training: We are concentrating on getting ready for the new Pierce County Protocols that will have EMT's administering new medications that previously had been given by paramedics. The thought is to take some of the call volume off the medics. I will let LT/MSO Dawson fill in the blanks. On the fire side we are back to in person training. We have fire fighters who have not yet been picked up.

SS911: SS911 and Pierce County have had three different meetings with three vendors to replace the soon to be out of date radios. They are Motorola, Kenwood, and L Harris. None of the new radios are currently NFPA rated. No one at this time knows who is buying the radios or which vendor will be selected. All claim they can work with the Motorola system currently in use at the new facility. These new radios will not resemble the current.

Fleet Status: West Pierce maintenance yard looks like a used engine facility. There are several engines in various stages of repair. Parts are hard to come by these days. We called last week to see if we could sneak an engine in between academies but they are currently booked out. Both engines need to get their annual service. They are looking at their schedule and where we might fit in. Luckily for us, we do not know of anything broken except for a light bulb or two, even those are hard to come by.

Good of the Order: I have signed a proposal to have the new lights and siren installed on the new command vehicle. We have reached out to Tacoma Radio to see if we could obtain a mobile radio for the unit as well. We received a reimbursement check for the Covid calls we ran for last year and are using those funds to pay for it.

I have been off for eight plus weeks dealing with my surgery. We mentioned the Annual Report being approved for the website posting during last month's meeting. I would like to thank our Office Administrator Lisa Wassall for putting the pieces together to make that happen. I want to thank B/C Sandstrom, and LT/MSO Dawson for picking up the extra shifts and responsibilities while I was gone. B/C Rapozo and Captain Fitzgerald have assisted in keeping the shifts and schedule filled. All the Lieutenants stepped up to help with shifts and stepped up to help with

the academy as well. Academy is tough enough without losing an instructor. I also want to thank the Firefighter's and EMT's on the department for doing their part in keeping us ready to answer the call.

MSO Report:

Presented by LT/MSO Dawson:

We received a check from FEMA to cover COVID related expenses for 2020 and 2021.

GEMT set up is almost complete. Minor wording changes are being worked.

New Pierce County protocols are changing for administering medicine and will allow EMT's to administer medicine. Kelly Garrett, Paramedic from Buckley Fire Department, has given training, in three sessions, to our Volunteers.

Still researching options for quicker launch of our marine rescue vessel.

- Lighthouse ramp

- Tyee Marina

- New tires for trailer to launch from beach

Commissioner(s) Report:

Commissioner Malone:

Salmon Bake dates of Aug 6 and 7.

Chief will order traffic barriers for Salmon Bake.

Commissioner Zuluaga:

See Old business.

Commissioner Noll:

No changes to vaccination requirements.

Fire season availability. Do we have coverage? One Academy in process and a second starting in August.

Pierce County Fire Commissioner's meeting was held on 4.28.22.

Jody Ferguson discussed the impact of Covid to Pierce County Emergency Management.

- 11.6M pieces of PPE issued.

- 230K people tested for Covid.

- 100k people were given vaccine.

South Sound 911 starts universal call taking on 5.11.22. They are also having an open house on June 13th from 11:30-1:00 at the new Tacoma office.

Public records requests must be responded to within 5 days (like before the pandemic).

Passed bill 1329 for open public meetings recommends a hybrid option for holding meetings. (Include Zoom and in person options).

Public Information Report-Presented by PIO Scott Watkins

449 visits to PCFD13 Website

372 new visitors to PCFD13 Website

Tide data needs to be reviewed on PCFD13 Website

Find permanent placement for Zoom link on PCFD13 Website

Burn information never changes on PCFD13 Website. PIO to contact county for current information.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Town Center Project Status
Retail space in question.
Unknown groundbreaking.
- 2. Tad/Min Property Status:
Dr Min has assumed our property acquisition rights. Currently, no ongoing conversations with Tad.
- 3. Status of St Matthew Property Opportunity
Have requested meeting date with various Pierce County Planning departments.
Is it feasible to build on site?
Father Kendall has offered us the option of using their basement area for training.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Schedule Annual Planning Meeting
Meeting will be June 14th after regular meeting. (Hope to have some feedback from Pierce County on St Matthews property).
- 2. Financial Forecast
Commissioner Noll presented a Revenue Forecast for 2022-2025. See attached.

Executive Session-Personnel Issue: 10:45 am - 11:30 am

The Board will be going into executive session pursuant to RCW42.30.110(1)(f) to receive and evaluate a complaint brought against a public officer or employee. The executive session will be for 45 minutes until 11:30.

COMMENTS:

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next regular meeting will be Tues., June 14, 2022, at 9:00 AM.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11.59 am.

Approved By:

Chairman Noll

Commissioner Malone

Commissioner Zuluaga

Fire Chief/District Secretary