

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
April 21, 2008**

Commission Chairman Gendron called the meeting to order at 4:30p.m. at East Valley Station 40. Those also present were Commissioners Les Riel and Dan McNulty. Others present were District Secretary Michelle Rosen, Deputy Chief Mike Riel, East Valley Fire District Personnel, and audience members.

Chairman Gendron called the meeting to order and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner McNulty stated to Chairman Gendron that he has a statement that he would like to read. Commissioner McNulty proceeded with reading his prepared statement. In summary, he apologized to the citizens of East Valley for the waste of the tax dollars that was being spent on lawyers and consultants to try to resolve the problems in the district. Commissioner McNulty continued his statement by noting that the tax payers elected three Commissioners to do this job and he felt as if they have failed. Commissioner McNulty demanded that his signature be removed from the Chief's appraisal because the steps that were to be taken did not happen. Commissioner McNulty conclude his prepared statement by noting that the Chairman of the board at the March 17 special meeting amended the agenda because of two complaints given to him that day resulting in the Chief not being allowed to respond to his appraisal.

There was no further discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 4:32 p.m. Commission Chairman Gendron announced an Executive Session as per RCW 42.30.110 (g) for one (1) hour.

Commission Chairman Gendron reconvened the meeting at 5:32p.m. and reported that no decisions had been made.

GENERAL DISSCUSSION: Commissioner Riel mentioned that a special meeting needed to be scheduled for next Monday, April 28th. and suggested that an executive session be scheduled for 5:30pm. with the Board of Commissioners, the Chief and the District's attorney. Commissioner Riel requested that Chairman Gendron contact the District's attorney and make the arrangements. All Commissioners were in agreement to scheduling a special meeting prior to the regular meeting on Monday, April 28. Commissioner Gendron asked if there was any other discussion. Commissioner McNulty directed a question to Deputy Chief Riel regarding an issue that he heard about over the weekend -- that it was his understanding that if Firefighters are not on a call and they came to the station and drank bottled water that they would be written up. Deputy Chief stated that they would not get written up; it was suggested that they use the drinking fountain when exercising. It also was suggested that when they go out on fire calls they hydrate and that was the purpose of the bottled water.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further discussion, Commissioner Riel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commission Chairman Gendron seconded the motion and the meeting was so adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

Commission Chairman

District Secretary

Commissioner

Commissioner