

**YAKIMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 27th, 2025**

The meeting convened at 3:30 pm at East Valley Fire Station 40. Those present at Station 40 were Chairman Les Riel, Vice-Chairman Tyler Brandt, Commissioner Ben St. Mary, Fire Chief Ray Lamoureux, Deputy Fire Chief Chris Munson, District Secretary Katelynn Roberts, Administrative Assistant Morgan Frost, Firefighter Chris Robillard and Lieutenant Nick Henle.

Chairman Riel called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Riel lead in the pledge of allegiance.

LIMITED OPEN PUBLIC INPUT for items NOT on the Agenda – Public comment for items that are on the agenda are allowed as the item comes up for discussion during the meeting.

Chairman Riel noted there was no public input at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Brandt made a motion to approve the agenda as circulated. Commissioner St. Mary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

**SECRETARY'S REPORT - None
PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

- May 12th, 2025 Regular BOC Meeting Minutes

CLAIMS REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL

Claims Requests FIRE	\$	112,486.31
Claims Requests EMS	\$	810.71
Total Claims	\$	113,297.02

CORRESPONDANCE - None

CHIEF'S REPORT – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Station 41
- City of Moxee – Letter of Intent

FC Lamoureux informed everyone that the City of Moxee dropped a letter of intent off at Station 40 to put their purchase offer of Station 41 in writing. Commissioner St. Mary made a motion to approve the City of Moxee Letter of Intent. Commissioner Brandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- Policy 01.01.01 Policies and Procedures
- Policy 01.01.02 Definitions
- Policy 04.04.09 Volunteer Reimbursement Schedule
- Policy 04.05.01 BOC Responsibilities and Conduct
- Policy 04.05.05 Political Activities and Lobbying
- Policy 04.05.10 Harassment
- Policy 04.05.11 Whistleblower Act

Chairman Riel made a motion to approve all the above policies as presented. Commissioner Brandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Chairman Riel informed everyone the commissioners have nothing new at this time.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Negotiations – FC Lamoureux informed the board he has nothing new to share about negotiations. FC Lamoureux and DC Munson have mediation on June 2nd, 2025 and will have more information for the board at the Chelan planning meeting Friday, June 6th, 2025.

Friday, June 6th, 2025 starting at 8:00 am will be the Chelan planning meeting, DS Roberts and AA Frost will be attending via zoom.

FC Lamoureux informed the board that the department put in for a \$10,000 grant from State Farm for the volunteers. This grant will allow the department to purchase a second set of bunker gear for them.

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DC Munson also informed the board that there is a class for swift water rescue training coming up and he would like for at least one person a shift to be certified.

FEMA has started to release dates for the NFA. June 2nd, 2025 registration will open along with the SAFER and FPS Grants.

FC Lamoureux is now sitting on the board for the Office of Emergency Management and informed the board that they are expecting a 40% budget loss.

Both FC Lamoureux and DC Munson attended the Washington State Chief's Conference in Kennewick and attended former Fire Chief Dale Hille's PTSD speech.

The department received approval from the Fire Marshal's Office for the live fire training center and will now be looking into attachments and stairs.

FF Robillard and FC Lamoureux are working on planning out the storage building for Station 40 after Station 41 is sold to the City of Moxee. FC Lamoureux will need to receive a site plan before starting the SEPA review.

The department hosted a wildfire ready neighbor drop off event at Station 40 and did not have anyone from the community participate. FC Lamoureux will look into having the event earlier in the spring time next year when citizens are starting to burn their yard trimmings.

SIGNING OF DISTRICT DOCUMENTS

Due to all Commissioners attending the meeting in person, documents will be held for signatures after the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, June 9th, 2025 at 3:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business Chairman Riel adjourned the meeting at 4:03 pm.



Chairman Les Riel



Commissioner Ben St. Mary

Attest:



District Secretary Katelynn Roberts

Excused Absence

Vice-Chairman Tyler Brandt