

Mason County Fire District 18 Board of Commissioners

October 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cochran at 1700 hours. Also present was Commissioner Barb Bodin.

Fire Personnel: Michael Sexton, Holden Sylvan, Ethan Foster, Shawn Berry, Bailie Turner, Tim Havnar

Guests: Joe Cochran and Mark Fischer

Secretary: Karen Thomas

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent/Approval of the Agenda: Agenda was approved as presented. Motion by Commissioner Bodin. 2nd by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

Previous Minutes:

Hoodsport Fire & EMS

September 9, 2024: Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Bodin moved to accept, 2nd by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

September 26, 2024: Special Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Bodin moved to accept, 2nd by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills and Payroll:

Total of \$102,493.60 Bills and Payroll for the month of October.

\$86,392.88 in EXPENSE

\$16,100.72 in EMS

Motion to pay the bills and payroll made by Commissioner Bodin. 2nd by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

Chiefs Report:

2024 Budget Update: Reviewed the Cash Flow Statement and discussed where we stand in regard to our budget. We are at 80% of our Expense Budget and 81% of our EMS Budget.

District 18: 67 calls in September, bringing our call count to 566 for the year as of the end of August

District 17: 12 calls in August

At this time last year, for District 18, we were at 504.

We have our Budget meeting next Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 5 p.m. Chief Sexton asked that if there were any specific requests to be considered when working with the numbers that they be brought to him either at that meeting or before so we can start working with the numbers.

For our residents program, with a three month commitment we recently accepted two responders. Thank you to Bailie and Ethan for being willing to step into those roles and help cover schedules to ensure as close to 24/7 coverage as possible. We converted Chief Satterfields office into additional sleeping quarters. In the last couple of weeks, we have had 8 people reach out and ask about our volunteer program. We are excited about the growth of our program.

We currently have 4 people in Fire Academy. Their first live burn is October 19, 2024.

We received our boat and trailer titles in the mail, as well as got our Paid in Full Paperwork from Lee Shore Boats. The donation to Kiwanas to fund this project will also cover additional supplies and training, and we will submit a request for reimbursement the costs we currently have associated with this project.

Old Business:

Radio Update: The new Kenwood radios are all in, except for the boat. Thank you, Shawn Berry, for taking on this project. These are also digital compliant, so we are ready when that switch is made with the county.

Open House: TBD

2024 Snure Seminars: All were registered in the format each requested.

DNR Grant: We received the check for the DNR Computer Grant. Shawn Berry has done some research on the components needed to get these systems installed in our vehicles. The first to be done will be A-18-2.

New Business:

T-18-1-2 was taken in for regular routine maintenance and the approved monitor installation. While there, they found five fractures in the frame. It will cost approximately \$26,000.00 to fix in addition to the approved work.

Discussion of updated billing rates for transports and mileage.

Resolution 2024-03: Approval of transport billing rates of \$1,000.00 and mileage rate of \$21.00 per mile. Motion by Chair Cochran, 2nd by Commissioner Bodin. Passed Unanimously.

Executive Session *RCW 42.30.110(1)(g): To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. However, subject to RCW 42.30.140(4), discussion by a governing body of salaries, wages, and other conditions of employment to be generally applied within the agency shall occur in a meeting open to the public, and when a governing body elects to take final action hiring, setting the salary of an individual employee or class of employees, or discharging or disciplining an employee, that action shall be taken in a meeting open to the public;*


Fifteen Minutes Requested 5:41 pm-5:56 pm. NO ACTION TAKEN.

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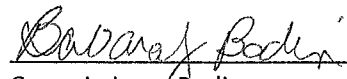
Commissioner Mark Fischer is working on a Powerpoint for a District 17 town hall meeting to educate about the potential merger.

Chief Sexton thanked the Commissioners for their leadership and support always.

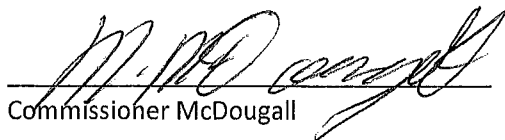
Meeting Adjourned at 6:10 pm



Chair Cochran



Commissioner Bodin



Commissioner McDougall