

Chelan County Fire District No. 5
250 West Manson Blvd.
Manson, WA 98831
June 12, 2018
Regular Meeting of Commissioners

Commissioners Present: Dan Baker, Brian Harris, John Spencer

Others Present: Chief Arnold Baker, Assistant Chief Kermit McClellan, District Secretary Patty McClellan, Steve Davis of Lake Chelan Pirate Fest, Ray Eichmeyer from LCCH EMS, Chris Willoughby.

Call to Order: Commissioner Chairman Baker called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and the Flag salute commenced.

Pension Board: Opened at 4:30 No business; Regular meeting resumed

Public Comment: Steve Davis shared his Pirate Fest ideas for 4th of July. He wants to park their trailer at the end of the building. Chief suggested he talk to Jeff Conwell of the 4th of July Committee to maybe be involved on Pedoi St, which will be closed off.

Minutes: May 8th Regular Meeting Minutes and May 22nd Commissioners' Workshop minutes were presented and reviewed. Commissioner Spencer motioned to approve the minutes of both meetings as presented; Commissioner Harris seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: No questions

Approval of Invoices: Commissioner Baker made the motion to approve vouchers FD51 in the amount of \$9,693.11 and FD52 in the amount of \$18,551.84 as presented. Commissioner Spencer seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Company Calendar – The County is working on a Hazard Mitigation plan. Chief Baker attended the meeting, as the plan now includes special purpose districts. The County thinks they can get it finished in 8 months (expedited)

Generator & Building Update –The edits on the contract with Colviço were all approved and signed. The next step is to schedule the start date. Garth, of Steveson Excavation has moved the ecology blocks out of the way.

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Training Property: The District offered \$190,000 on the Wapato Lake proposed Training Property. The owner countered with \$200,000. Commissioner Baker had signed the counter offer addendum to hold the property until further discussion with the Board as far as feasibility. Realtor Larry Day has given the District a Market Analysis on similar properties that support the \$200,000 price. Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the counter offer of \$200,000.

Commissioner Baker seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Irrigation options for the property were discussed; the District will ask for an easement to put an irrigation line down the backside of the property. This request is part of the Feasibility Study. Commissioner Harris motioned to approve Commissioner Baker as the assigned "signer", the irrigation easement and \$5,000 earnest money to be paid. Commissioner Spencer seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Baker will contact Larry Day about the proposed 10' non-exclusive easement. The easement would accommodate a Schedule 40 pipe; 2" will take care of everything.

E-Sign – no update

New Business:

MRSC Small work Roster. The annual membership fee to join MRSC's Small Works Roster is \$135. One of the advantages of joining is that if we have any projects under \$300,000 we can just use their small works roster rather than post bids, etc.

Patty will draft a resolution to join MRSC to be reviewed at the July Regular Meeting.

Chiefs Report:

Incidents

June

53 Calls for service in the month of ~~March~~ 43 within Fire District 5 and 10 out of the District. Fire responded to 18 calls within District 5, 1 out of District 5; 2 Authorized burning, 2 Cultivated orchard fires, 1 Brush & grass fire, 2 Grass fires, 1 power pole fire, 1 short circuit (in an electrical outlet – no fire), 1 Motor Vehicle Accident with no injuries, 8 calls to Assist EMS crew. The out of District call was to District 7 with the 6 acre Brush and grass fire off SR 150.

EMS responded to 33 medical calls in District 5 (8 of these with assistance of Fire); 1 of the medical calls were initiated by accidental pendant button push, 1 call cancelled enroute. 9 medical calls out of District 5, 2 calls cancelled enroute.

May Call Times;

Fire Call Processing was at 3:13, Arrival on scene at 10:13.

EMS Call Processing was at 1:57, Arrival on scene at 9:42.

Of the 43 calls in District 5, 31 calls were compliant to NFPA 1221, for call processing.

Of the 42 calls in District 5, 37 calls were compliant to Fire District 5 benchmark of 12:00

minutes.

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Personnel and Training

May was a short month for training due to Memorial Day. For firefighters we had our annual Worktest, the single test counts for structural and wildland work capacity. EMTs had OTEP covering spinal emergencies, backboard and cervical collar; we added a new element of an inflatable pad that helped provide additional stabilization and comfort to the patient; 24/7 Online; Serving Customers and Fireground Communication modules, and an officer meeting.

Recruitment & Retention

Moving our new people through initial training and getting physicals. One new volunteer packet requested.

Facilities and Equipment

E-52 CAFS issue, Tom Fix has connected with Joe Neal that was the shop foreman for Classic when this truck was built, now works for Hale that build the foam proportioner on the truck. So we have the one person with the most experience helping to trouble shoot the CAFS problem of not staying engaged in CAFS mode.

I was notified that our International chassis to replace on E-54 rolled off the assembly line on May 30th. Still trying to nail down when it will be delivered to Yakima.

RiverCom

All permits were in place last month to begin work on the Blag mountain radio site upgrade. Rains caused an additional washout of the road, now roadwork is being done to regain access with trucks and equipment to do the site work.

RiverCom is working with a landowner in the Wenatchee Heights area for a long term contract at a price reasonable to other sites. Our challenge is that cell tower site rental can easily pay a lot more money than public safety. Negotiations continue.

An RFQ for facilities needs study closed on May 15th. Expecting this month's Board meeting will have news on an award so RiverCom can determine the costs of staying at Wenatchee Police Station or move the entire operation to another site like the Confluence Technology Center.

Prevention

County Commissioners approved some changes to the County Code 7.52 Fire Hazard Areas that will help better define what is allowed, also better definitions to activity and travel restrictions. This code will also be able to be initiated by the Fire Marshal or Public Works Director when warranted and then followed up by resolution with the County Commissioners. This will enable a more expeditious process of changing hazard designations when climate necessitates and when our DNR and Forest Service partners change their designations. Our goal is to provide clear information to the public what the hazards are, where the hazards exists and what activity restrictions accompany the multiple layered designations.

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The FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety grant that I wrote for the region is waiting for award process to start. The equipment grants that I applied for the truck and ambulance have not started awards yet either. I expect that on a Friday very soon all the equipment, FP&S and SAFER will open awards

Assistant Chief's Report: Assistant Chief McClellan reported that there was a lot of driving for a brief time, then stopped. Nick & Wayne have both been practicing by themselves. Aaron would like to drive also. Once he has an orientation he can drive, but not in an emergency situation. The biggest problem new drivers have is depth perception when backing into a fixed object.

EMS: Ray Eickmeyer, EMS Director from the Hospital hired a new paramedic, Brandon, who was previously the EMS Director for Prosser. A waiver that is only available to non-fire applicants was approved for Medicaid patients. Medicaid will reimburse \$3200 in back pay, as opposed to \$100 per incident/ chest pain, stroke and high performance trauma.

Public Comment: none

Adjournment: Having no additional business before the Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

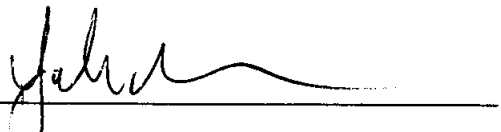
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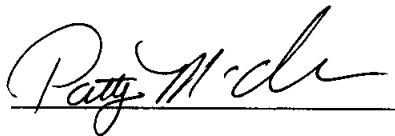
Dan Baker, Commissioner Chairman



Brian Harris, Commissioner



John Spencer, Commissioner



attest: Patty McClellan

District Secretary