

Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 5
250 West Manson Blvd.
Manson, WA 98831
Workshop Meeting of Commissioners
Wednesday February 21, 2024 @ 4:30 pm

Commissioners Present: Fred Weiss, Chris Willoughby, and Dan Baker.

Others Present: Chief Arnold Baker, District Secretary Reggie Trusel, Training Coordinator Raynor Baker, Lieutenant Beau Alanis and Terry LaBrue.

Call to Order: Chairman Weiss called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The Flag salute commenced.

Levy Lid Lift 2024:

- Zoom Conference with Attorney Brian Snure
Brian Snure displayed a power point to the Board that explained his Memorandum details. He described the different types of Levy Lid Lift options and gave us an excel example of what our levy would look like using CCFD5 current numbers.
 - Permanent Single Year Lid Lift
 - Permanent Multiyear Lid Lift
 - Term Levy (Temporary time-period)
 - Excess Levy

He emphasized that 99% of fire levy's run a permanent levy, either single or multiyear with a 1-3% increase for five years. When deciding which type of levy, we'll need to also factor in the yearly inflation, (AV) Assessed Property Value fluctuations in our district and determine what our revenue needs are to meet our department goals. He explained many fire departments use the (CPI) Consumer Price Index instead of a fixed percentage to replace the 1% limitations. The benefit of using a CPI adjustment in a multi-year lid lift is most voters understand what the CPI is and it can be easier to explain to the voters our fire district ballot measure is intended to keep pace with inflation.

Q: Commissioner Willoughby-Pro/Cons published list

The District can ask the community voters if they would like to provide a "Con" for the Levy.

Q: Commissioner Weiss-Resolution

Brian Snure will complete all ballot material and Resolution.

The Chief summarized he will be providing our District project goals to Brian Snure to incorporate into the ballot material emphasizing wildland fires is our biggest risk for our district.

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- Three story articles will be coming out over the next two-three months along with 2nd Newsletter Levy- Lid Lift as main topic.
- Committee
- Doorbell flier-hanger (Spanish/English)
- Presentation to local community groups
- Yard signage and street banners
- Website, Radio, Newspapers and Social Media
- Promotional Video

Commissioner Baker suggested a local graphic designer that could possibly help with design ideas. Chairman Weiss noted the Board will announce the next Workshop date at the Regular Commissioner meeting coming up March 13th.

Adjournment: Board Chairman Weiss closed the workshop meeting with no additional business before the Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Chelan County Fire District 5 Board of Commissioners:

Commissioner Chairman Fred Weiss

Chris Willoughby

Commissioner Dan Baker

Attest: Regenia Trusel
District Secretary