

**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 8, 2021**

Chair Holm called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order by Zoom webinar at 5:02 p.m. Present were Chair Holm, Commissioners Stringfellow, Coleman, Willis and Eckroth, Deputy Chiefs Karns and Stueve, FD Robacker, HRD Washo, Assistant Chiefs McKenzie and Stueve, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder. Ex-Officio/Mayor Door joined the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to approve the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT (FOR ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY ON THE AGENDA)

No public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA (SINGLE MOTION)

A. Excused Absences:

B. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of February 22, 2021

C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 55821 to 55847 totaling	\$	177,154.48
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 55848 to 55859 totaling	\$	4,296,900.62
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 55860 to 55876 totaling	\$	204,325.54
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107501 to 107507 totaling	\$	31,345.50
GRAND TOTAL	\$	4,709,726.14

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling \$4,709,726.14. **MOTION CARRIED.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (SECOND READING AND FINAL ACTION)

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS (FIRST READING – FOR DISCUSSION AND REVIEW ONLY)

No new business.

CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUESTS

A. Easterwood Benefit Charge Appeal

Carlene Easterwood submitted an appeal to the District dated March 1, 2021, requesting the benefit charge on her mobile home park be reduced to what she considers a fairer amount. The District's Benefit Charge Appeal Committee met on March 2nd to review her request. The committee took into consideration the type of structures on the property (8 individual carports), the value of improvements (\$7,400),

and that she has been granted a reduction by the Board each of the last nine years. The committee also took into consideration that individual mobile homeowners pay a benefit charge. The Appeal Committee recommends honoring her request to reduce the benefit charge from a commercial rate to a residential rate.

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve reducing the 2021 benefit charge on parcel no. 0420226009 from a commercial rate of \$1,332.60 to a residential rate of \$335.05. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Easterwood further asked if the District would consider automatically recalculating the benefit charge to the residential rate as long as there is no change in the property's use, square footage of structures, or significant change in the assessed valuation. The Appeal Committee recommends the District deny her request at this time and address this on a more global level in the upcoming resolution establishing updated benefit charge policy and procedure.

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to deny Ms. Easterwood's request to automatically reduce the benefit charge on parcel no. 0420226009 to residential, and address this type of situation in the upcoming resolution establishing updated benefit charge policy and procedure. **MOTION CARRIED.**

STAFF, LOCAL, FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION AND FIRE CHIEF REPORTS (For Information Only)

The following divisions provided a written report in the packet:

- A. Training – AC Juarez.
- B. Health & Safety – AC McKenzie provided an update on current Covid exposures and activities.
- C. Logistics – AC Stueve.
- D. Human Resources – HRD Washo.
- E. DC Operations – DC Stueve.
- F. Acting Chief – Russ Karns.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ex-Officio Door shared current Puyallup City Council topics of discussion. She was recently elected South Sound 911 Policy Board Vice Chair.

Commissioner Eckroth thanked Pierce County Councilperson Dave Morell for calling into the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:31 p.m., Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to move into Executive Session for 10 minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee until 5:41 p.m.

At 5:41 p.m., Chair Holm extended the meeting for five minutes until 5:46 p.m.

At 5:46 p.m., Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to return to Regular Session. **MOTION CARRIED.** No action was taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.


MATTHEW HOLM
CHAIR OF THE BOARD


TANYA ROBACKER
DISTRICT SECRETARY


DIANNE PORTER
RECORDER