

**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 10, 2021**

Vice Chair Stringfellow called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order by Zoom meeting at 5:00 p.m. Present were Vice Chair Stringfellow, Commissioners Holm, Coleman, Willis and Eckroth, Ex-Officio Door, Chief Olson, Deputy Chiefs Karns and Stueve, Assistant Chiefs Juarez, McKenzie, and Stueve, HRD Washo, ITD Kay, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chief Olson requested that the Executive Session be removed from the agenda. Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to remove the Executive Session from the agenda and approve the agenda as modified. **MOTION CARRIED.**

RICE FERGUS MILLER – RFM was selected for future architectural and engineering services through the recent request for services process. Howard Struve and Sarah Gladics introduced themselves and their company. DC Karns noted that there are no current projects underway, but they will be providing services for the new Station 73.

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 April 12, 2021

C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56050 to 56079 totaling	\$	630,869.49
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56080 to 56090 totaling	\$	4,532,098.70
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107515 to 10715 totaling	\$	1,234.00
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107516 to 107523 totaling	\$	40,072.64
GRAND TOTAL	\$	5,204,274.83

Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the Consent Agenda including warrants totaling \$5,204,274.83. **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. Fire Chief Selection

Chair Holm and the internal team met with Heather Gantz to review process next steps.

B. 2021 Pierce County Fire Protection Contract

The District has contracted with Pierce County for fire protection services for many years. The contract amount represents the District's share of the resource pool. Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to approve the 2021 Pierce County Contract for Fire Protection Services, as presented, in the amount of \$185,431.00. **MOTION CARRIED.**

C. Increase IT Consortium Agency Direct Costs

The increase to the planned budget is a result from an audit "true-up" of actual planned IT expenses by Graham, Gig Harbor and Key Peninsula that the IT Consortium will purchase and implement on their behalf. IT has worked with the consortium Fire Chiefs, CPFR Finance and Chief Olson to finalize these figures. Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to authorize an increase to the IT Consortium Agency Direct Costs from \$285,758.00 to \$643,507.00. **MOTION CARRIED.**

D. Puyallup Armory Purchase

The Washington National Guard completed the appraisal on the Armory property intended for a new Station 73. The price is significantly higher than anticipated back in 2015, but is in the range of reasonableness for the product available. Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to direct Chief Olson to enter into a purchase and sale agreement with the State of Washington to purchase the Puyallup Armory Property for \$900,000.00. **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 acknowledged Support Specialist Jackie Wood for her work with the new evaluation software. She created evaluation forms that were above and beyond what the vendor had provided, so much so, that they contacted her for details on how they were created.
- B. Health & Safety – AC McKenzie provided an update on COVID activities.
- C. Logistics – AC Stueve.
- D. Human Resources – HRD Washo shared that the decision was made to increase the July academy from 12 to 14 individuals.
- E. DC Operations – DC Stueve included the 2020 Service Level Objectives document.
- F. Fire Chief – Chief Olson explained that the decision to increase the number of academy recruits was based on anticipated retirements in 2022 and, historically, the loss of a recruit during the academy. The draft resolution reestablishing the benefit charge will be brought to the Board for review and comment at the next meeting. The plan is to finalize the resolution during the budget process in the

fall. Staff is keeping attentive to the Governor's COVID proclamations and continuing with the precautions that have been in place up to now.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Employee Recognition

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ex-Officio Door provided updates on Puyallup City Council and South Sound 911 activities.

Commissioner Willis was glad to see the agreement on the Armory property. There weren't many options and it was important to secure that property.

Commissioner Stringfellow was also happy to see the property agreement. He appreciated the new apparatus pictures from AC Stueve. CPFR has some of the finest looking fire apparatus out there and he thanked everyone that made it happen.

Commissioner Holm expressed his appreciation of Mayor Door and Councilmember Hunter on their exceptional work being done with South Sound 911. The Armory property is a good deal and he is glad to see the property secured.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.



MATT HOLM
CHAIR OF THE BOARD



TANYA ROBACKER
DISTRICT SECRETARY



DIANNE PORTER
RECORDER