

**CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
June 14, 2021**

Chair Holm called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order by Zoom meeting at 5:01 p.m. Present were Commissioners Coleman, Eckroth, Holm, Stringfellow and Willis, Chief Olson, Deputy Chiefs Karns and Stueve, Assistant Chiefs Bouchard, Juarez and Kent, and EMS Administrative Support Menge, recorder. Lt. Josh Farris joined the meeting at 5:15. Ex-Officio Door joined the meeting at 5:22 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Eckroth seconded to approve the agenda as presented. **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 May 24, 2021

C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56163 to 56181 totaling	\$	162,500.38
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56182 to 56191 totaling	\$	4,291,355.36
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56192 to 56214 totaling	\$	156,516.38
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107524 to 107530 totaling	\$	36,931.30
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56215 to 56229 totaling	\$	64,996.81
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 55548 to 55548 totaling	\$	(200.40)
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56099 to 56099 totaling	\$	(247.50)
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,711,852.33</b>

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to approve the Consent Agenda including warrants totaling \$4,711,852.33. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (SECOND READING AND FINAL ACTION)**

No unfinished business.

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

A. **Resolution No. 21-02 Commissioner Remote Board Meeting Participation – Chief Olson**

Chief Olson discussed remote meeting participation. Chair Holm asked if more than two (2) Commissioners could attend remotely. Chief Olson stated there is nothing statutorily limiting the Board.

**CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUESTS****A. Fire Chief Selection – Chair Holm or HRD Washo**

Chair Holm reported. Chief Olson mentioned there is a draft brochure in review.

**B. Captain Eligibility List 7.1.2021 – 6.30.23 – HRD Washo**

Chief Olson thanked HRD Washo for her hard work on the Captain eligibility, and asked for a motion to approve the List. Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to approve the Captain Eligibility List.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. FBC and EMS Reauthorization Election Date – Chief Olson**

Chief Olson reported renewals are due in 2022 and recommends the Board consider a motion to hold the election April 2022. Chair Holm wanted to know if both FBC and EMS were in the same cycle historically, DC Karns stated since the merger, they have run simultaneously. Chief Olson assigned DC Karns to oversee the re-authorization process for continuity. Commissioner Stringfellow moved to set April 2022 as the election date for FBC and EMS reauthorization. Commissioner Coleman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. Washington State Fair Contract – DC Stueve**

DC Stueve reported 2020 and 2021 have been uncharacteristic years. This year the Fair required a drastic reduction in cost. A letter of agreement (LOA) presented by the Fair has been reviewed by Attorney Quinn. The full fair will take place this fall. Commissioner Stringfellow moved to have Chief Olson sign the Washington State Fair Contract as presented. Commissioner Eckroth seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**E. Facility Review Contract – DC Karns**

DC Karns presented a facilities maintenance software and evaluation contract with McKinstry. He explained they come in, evaluate everything, and allow us to get ahead of maintenance failures and replacements. Chief Olson stated the Strategic Plan is what got us to this point. Commissioner Stringfellow moved to approve a maximum transfer of \$35,000.00 from Commissioner Contingency Fund into logistics for the McKinstry Facilities Review Contract. Commissioner Eckroth seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Chair Holm thanked both DC's for their work on this.

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

The following Divisions provided a written report in the packet:

**A. Finance Update April – FD Robacker**

Chief Olson reported in FD Robacker's absence. Property taxes exceed April estimates by \$2.1. He noted some of the overtime is reimbursable through Federal aid due to the pandemic.



**B. Human Resources – HRD Washo**

Chief Olson reported in HRD Washo's absence that HR is working extremely hard right now with very tight timelines. Their workload is extraordinary and they are doing an outstanding job. He is very appreciative of the job they are doing.

**C. Training – AC Juarez**

AC Juarez reported AIS is in the packet. Just certified nine (9) more members to Fire Instructor 1. We will hold another course in Fall/Winter.

**D. Field Operations – AC Kent**

AC Kent reported the training with Graham made a recent mutual aid call transpire seamlessly. Used Puyallup PD drone at a large wrecking ground fire. Acknowledged the promotions of Rosenlund, Cokl and Bronoske.

**E. EMS – AC Bouchard**

AC Bouchard continued the conversation regarding CARES reporting. Included in the packet is an attachment from the CARES dashboard. There have been 116 referrals from field providers, averaging about 24 calls a month. AC Bouchard thanked CARES Manager Shelley Rhone for her effective work. He thanked the Board of Commissioners for allowing a letter to be sent to a high utilizer. Since then, have had a 3-month window with almost no contact.

**F. DC Operations – DC Stueve**

DC Stueve reported on the annexation of Freeman Road area. Has been looking into the risk to the community and organization. There is one (1) major commercial structure in the area and an industrial complex, not a significant risk. He is still looking into hydrants, thinks we can competently service this area.

**G. Fire Chief – Chief Olson**

FC Olson reported on the SEPA appeal update. The developer has asked to wait and not proceed with the scheduled appeal because of Fire Code updates in process. We will know more on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021, when the Fire Code goes before the County Council. FC Olson gave a brief history and update on E911 funding with SS911 issue. There are questions on how the County has been utilizing the 70 cent per user funding, as it's not clear. There is some conflict and confusion on interpretation of the law on how funds are being used. Meeting today with Police Chief Fisher to get information out to the Police Chiefs and get an endorsement of support. Commissioner Willis stated it is interesting this accountability issue has come up with SS911. Discussion followed. Mayor Door clarified that there are two (2) separate funding streams – there is the 1/10 of 1 percent as well as the 70 cents and the issue is with the 70 cents funding stream.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- **Employee Recognition**

Chair Holm stated he is impressed by the great work our men and women do as well as the people that take the time to recognize them.

## COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ex-Officio Door stated there was a potential agreement that has been pulled. Another one is the Shaw Road corridor study.

Commissioner Stringfellow stated he is impressed with the 2020 annual report. Staff outdid themselves with the quality. Really professionally done.

Commissioner Coleman has nothing at this time.

Commissioner Eckroth thanked Mayor Door and Chair Holm for all of their work on the SS911 funding issue.

Commissioner Willis stated he agrees with Commissioner Eckroth.

Chair Holm stated he agrees with Commissioner Stringfellow on the 2020 annual report.

## ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

  
MATT HOLM  
CHAIR OF THE BOARD

  
TANYA ROBACKER  
DISTRICT SECRETARY

  
DENISE MENGE  
RECORDER