CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS January 10, 2022

Chair Holm called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order by Zoom webinar. Present were Chair Holm, Commissioners Stringfellow, Coleman, Willis and Mitchell, Chief Morrow, Deputy Chiefs Karns and Stueve, FD Robacker, HRD Washo, Assistant Chiefs Juarez, Kent, Bouchard, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder. Ex-Officio/Mayor Door joined the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

OATH OF OFFICE

District Secretary Tanya Robacker administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Dale T. Mitchell.

ELECT 2022 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to appoint Commissioner Holm as 2022 Board Chair. **MOTION CARRIED.** Commissioner Willis moved and Commissioner Holm seconded to appoint Commissioner Stringfellow as 2022 Board Vice Chair. **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 December 27, 2021
- C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56914 to 56923 totaling	\$ 4,098,644.50
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56924 to 56938 totaling	\$ 85,888.53
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 107601 to 107605 totaling	\$ 18,848.28
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 56939 to 56942 totaling	\$ 798,666.98
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 5,002,048.29

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling \$5,002,048.29. **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. Board Meeting Options

Chief Morrow - Many of our partners are working in some capacity to return to in-person meetings. Discussion followed and general consensus was to return to in-person meetings with virtual attendance option. Chief Morrow will explore options for the Board to consider for returning to in-person meetings as early as March. Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to give Chief Morrow 60 days to research Board meeting options and report to the Board at first March meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**.

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

The following divisions provided a written report in the packet:

- A. Finance/FD Robacker Revenue and expenses are on track. Reminder that December report will be presented in February based on when county closes out their books. Important bill in legislature that would allow District to be our own treasurer.
- B. Human Resources/HRD Washo HR Division has been busy with recruitments.
- C. Training/AC Juarez Will bring 2021 Training Division stats to the next meeting. Chair Holm commended staff on moving forward with both academies this year.
- D. Field Operations/AC Kent Reported on manual staffing process with Telestaff down. 2022 focus will be on operational policy updates. Established KPIs for battalion chiefs and it has been a success.
- E. EMS/AC Bouchard Working on MCI updates with partners on protocols and training. Reports submitted to the Pediatric Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest (POHCA) program will be reviewed to evaluate and improve upon. Proud of work EMS Captain and Lieutenants have accomplished.
- F. DC Operations/DC Stueve Consultant to work on strategic assessment of PCHIT and PSORT has been identified. Recent COVID exposures did not constitute workplace infection.

Chief Morrow - Everyone has come together over the staffing program issues. Staff is working on available option. District is under investigation with state health division over accommodations issued. Believes we are in a solid position and are in the process of responding. Taking steps to update COVID relief for employees. Puyallup Armory concerns were shared on MOU requirements of memorial process and archaeological dig. Staff is looking for other opportunities as Plan B. Will be looking to consolidate policies into a manageable number of policies. Taking steps with staff to celebrate 25 years of CPFR.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ex-Officio/Mayor Door – Requested copy of Armory MOU. Last evening as Mayor. Committee assignments will be appointed by new mayor.



Commissioner Coleman - Welcomed Commissioner Mitchell and wished him good luck.

Commissioner Mitchell – Thank you to everyone on allowing him to join the Board. Pleased to be a part of it and looking forward to becoming more informed.

Commissioner Stringfellow – One of the strongest advocates for a station at Armory location but is upset and concerned after reading the MOU. Already in design stage and soil testing. A lot of taxpayer money has been spent towards this project.

Commissioner Willis - Agreed with Commissioner Stringfellow. Have fully functioning station at current location and there may be a time we need to walk away. Congratulations to Training Division. Policies need to be streamlined and more to the point.

Commissioner Holm - Concurs with other Commissioners on Armory. DC Karns spoke with realtor who is concerned about what may come from archaeological study. Chief Morrow clarified that Staff is in no way responsible for this and explained the lack of communication. Property is still a viable option. Chief Morrow needs more time to evaluate the MOU. FD Robacker noted that through November, we have expended \$137,657 on the project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:02 p.m., Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to move into Executive Session for 10 minutes under RCW 42.30.140 – collective bargaining update until 6:12 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**

At 6:12 p.m., Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Mitchell 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 Mitchell seconded to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

MATTHEW HOLM

CHAIR OF THE BOARD

TANYA ROBACKER

DISTRICT SECRETARY

DIANNE PORTER

RECORDER