### CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS May 23, 2022

Chair Holm called the Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to order at District Headquarters – 17520 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave E., Tacoma at 5:00 p.m. A remote attendance option was available to the public. Present were Chair Holm, Commissioners Stringfellow, Willis, Coleman, and Mitchell, Ex-Officio Door, Chief Morrow, HRD Washo, Assistant Chiefs Overby and Stueve, and Executive Assistant Porter, recorder. Local 726 President James was also present.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Stringfellow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Coleman 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 May 9, 2022
- C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 57422 to 57439 totaling	\$ 105,884.41
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 57440 to 57463 totaling	\$ 126,885.22
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 232,769.63

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with warrants totaling \$232,769.63. **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. Commissioner Pay

The Board discussed receiving the elected official's daily per diem for Board packet review prior to each Board meeting. Commissioner Mitchell shared his previous experience on this topic. Chief Morrow confirmed with legal counsel that this is an allowable charge to the District. If approved, Staff will revise Policy 303 and the Board of Fire Commissioners Policy Manual to list Board Packet Review as "official district business" and, therefore, chargeable to the District. Commissioner Coleman moved and

Commissioner Stringfellow seconded to modify the policy to include Board Packet Review as an approved per diem charge. **MOTION CARRIED**.

B. Creation of Facilities Lead Pay Range

The business needs of the District warrant an increase in the number and type of positions in the Logistics division. The District and Local 726 have executed a Memorandum of Understanding on this position's creation and pay range. Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Coleman seconded to approve the addendum to the 726 Non-Uniformed 2021 Salary Schedule ("Appendix A") effective April 14, 2022. 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.
- B. IT/ITD Scott-Ralston.
- C. Logistics/AC Stueve Provided an update on Ladder 61 and Station 65 roof repair. Chair Holm passed on information that a citizen seeing a staff vehicle with Central Pierce signage was unaware that it was a fire department vehicle. Discussion followed on the importance of being visible in the community. AC Stueve appreciated the feedback and will address in the future.
- D. Prevention & Education/AC Overby DFM Wohrle's Certified Fire Marshal certification is not easy to achieve and quite an accomplishment. Chair Holm pointed out that this is AC Overby's last meeting and thanked him for 30 years of dedicated service.
- E. Health & Safety/AC McKenzie.
- F. DC Administration/DC Karns.
- G. Fire Chief/Chief Morrow Hoped that the Station 72 dirt issue was resolved, but that did not happen. He is still hoping for a resolution. Recent Battalion Level personnel meetings involved rich conversations and sharing. He left with a strong sense that they are committed to the pathway. Videos of the discussions will be made and shared with the Board. Chair Holm has heard good comments about the meetings and thanked Chief Morrow for his effort.

L726 President James referred to union events scheduled over the next several months. More information will follow.

### CORRESPONDENCE

A. Employee Recognition – Chair Holm and Board members appreciate the time



and effort put forth to provide recognition. It is nice to see the great things that our personnel are doing out there.

#### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Ex-Officio Door - Provided an update on City Council meeting topics and South Sound 911 issues.

Commissioner Stringfellow - Congratulated AC Overby on his retirement - he earned it.

Commissioner Willis - Would like to see anything done so that citizens recognize and understand who we are.

Commissioner Coleman - Glad to see that everything is going well.

Commissioner Mitchell - Nice that the Board can meet together and hopes it continues.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

-MATTHEW HOLM

VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

TANYA ROBACKER

DISTRICT SECRETARY

DIANNE PORTER RECORDER