

**REGULAR JOINT MEETING MINUTES  
CPFR, OVFR, AND GFR JOINT BOARD MEETING  
September 23, 2024**

Chair Homan called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at the Fire District Administrative & Operations Center – 1015 39<sup>th</sup> Ave SE Suite #120 Puyallup, WA 98374 at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Chair Homan, Vice Chair Stringfellow, Commissioners Coleman, Willis, and Mitchell, Ex Officio Door, Vice Chair Barstow, Commissioners McAfee, Estes, and Samuelson, Chair Bellerive, Vice Chair Palombi, Commissioners Gorder, Dannat, and Buttz, Chief Morrow, Director Robacker, SS McInnis and EA Paramapoonya, Recorder.

**1. ROLL CALL – DISTRICT SECRETARY**

Excused Absences: Chair Holm

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Homan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Vice Chair Barstow moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to approve Excused Absences. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Commissioner McAfee moved and Commissioner Dannat seconded to approve the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT (FOR ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY ON THE AGENDA)**

No Public Comment

**5. CONSENT AGENDA: Central Pierce Fire & Rescue (Single Motion)**

A. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of September 09, 2024

B. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 61116 to 61175 totaling:	\$	563,178.76
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>563,178.76</b>

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to approve the Consent Agenda and remove Item 5B – Joint Board Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2024 for amendments. **MOTION CARRIED.**

- 6. CONSENT AGENDA: Orting Valley Fire & Rescue** (Single Motion)
  - A. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of September 10, 2024
  - B. Warrants: N/A

Commissioner Gorder moved and Commissioner Buttz seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

- 7. CONSENT AGENDA: Graham Fire & Rescue** (Single Motion)
  - A. **Pg. 44:** Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of September 11, 2024
  - B. **Pg. 48:** Approval of Financial Documentation:

Payables:	Expense Approval Register 09/12/2024	\$3,640.92
Payables:	Expense Approval Register 09/11/2024	\$65,578.81
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$69,219.73</b>

Commissioner Samuelsen moved and Vice Chair Barstow seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**8. STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. Budget – Finance – Audit: No Report from Commissioner McAfee
- B. Mergers – Consolidation: Chair Homan explained that the Mergers - Consolidation Committee is standing down.
- C. Legislative: Commissioner Samuelsen reviewed the new legislative laws going into effect that would benefit all three districts. Chair Homan asked for two representatives from each District to create a combined Legislative Committee.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Interlocal Agreement for Fire & Emergency Services

**Presented to:** *Graham Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow reviewed the Interlocal Agreement for Fire & Emergency Services between GFR and CPFR as presented. Commissioner McAfee moved and Vice Chair Barstow seconded to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Fire and Emergency Services between Graham Fire & Rescue and Central Pierce Fire & Rescue as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Interlocal Agreement for Fire & Emergency Services

**Presented to:** *Central Pierce Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow reviewed the Interlocal Agreement for Fire & Emergency Services that will replace the Master Interlocal Agreement and Addendum.

## 11. CONSIDERATIONS & REQUESTS

### A. Flash Cube Furniture Surplus

**Presented to:** *Central Pierce Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow reviewed the Flashcube Furniture Surplus items. Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to approve the surplus of items listed as part of the overall Flashcube lease termination settlement agreement as presented by Staff. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### B. Dissolution Agreement – Pierce County Fire Training Consortium

**Presented to:** *Central Pierce Fire & Rescue, Orting Valley Fire & Rescue, Graham Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow reviewed the Dissolution Agreement regarding the Pierce County Fire Training Consortium. Vice Chair Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to authorize the Fire Chief to formalize a dissolution agreement with the parties signed onto the Interlocal Agreement for the Pierce County Fire Training Consortium, thereby dissolving the Pierce County Fire Training Consortium effective October 1, 2024. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### C. Dissolution Agreement – Information Technology Consortium

**Presented to:** *Central Pierce Fire & Rescue, Graham Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow reviewed the Dissolution Agreement regarding the Information Technology Consortium. Vice Chair Barstow moved and Commissioner McAfee seconded to authorize the Fire Chief to formalize a Dissolution Agreement with the parties signed onto the Interlocal Agreement for the Information Technology Consortium, thereby dissolving the Information Technology Consortium effective January 1, 2025. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### D. Commissioner Technology Use

**Presented to:** *Central Pierce Fire & Rescue, Orting Valley Fire & Rescue, Graham Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow discussed the technological advancement of assigning unrestricted iPads to each Commissioner.

E. Resolution 1003 Surplus of Real Property – Station Zero

**Presented to:** *Graham Fire & Rescue*

Chief Morrow reviewed Resolution 1003 Surplus of Real Property. Vice Chair Barstow moved and Commissioner Samuelsen seconded to approve Resolution 1003 declaring the real property located at 22821 Meridian Avenue East, with a Pierce County Parcel number of 0418152024 as surplus. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**12. STAFF, LOCAL, FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION and FIRE CHIEF REPORTS**

- A. Finance Directorate/Director Robacker: Director Robacker reviewed the Finance Directorate Report, along with the August Checkbook.
- B. Business Services Directorate/DC Mason: DC Mason reviewed the Business Services Directorate Report and thanked Chief Morrow for his continued support. Great job to Chief Campbell and Chief Waltrip for all their hard work in the Health & Wellness Division.
- C. Executive Services Directorate/Director Roberts: Director Roberts reviewed the Executive Services Directorate Report.
- D. Fire Chief's Report/Chief Morrow: Chief Morrow reviewed the Fire Chief's Report.
- E. Local 726 Report: The Holiday Party is scheduled for November 16<sup>th</sup> at the Fairgrounds.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Employee Recognition

Chair Homan was impressed with the heroic efforts of the men and women involved in the Correspondence.

**14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Commissioner Mitchell:** Commissioner Mitchell expressed his gratitude for everyone's hard work. He inquired about the inclusion of a meal during future Joint Board Meetings. All Board Members agreed on the inclusion of healthy snack options, going forward.

**Chair Homan:** Chair Homan inquired about typical financial processes. Chief Morrow explained that any questions that may arise regarding financial info are discussed in an open forum.

**Vice Chair Barstow:** Vice Chair Barstow thanked everyone for their input.

**Commissioner Samuelsen:** Commissioner Samuelsen attended the Washington Finance Officers Association Conference last week. Congratulations to Sandi Roberts, who was announced as the new President.

**Commissioner Estes:** Commissioner Estes commended Chief Kent and those involved in the Correspondence for all the exceptional work. He inquired about the need for a Policy Committee. Chair Homan confirmed that it would not be necessary. Chief Morrow explained that all Board Policies would be going through a consolidation process soon.

**Chair Bellerive:** Chair Bellerive thanked everyone who helped put this meeting together.

**Commissioner McAfee:** Commissioner McAfee expressed the importance of the united Joint Board Meetings and mentioned a desire to hold future meetings in Graham and Orting. Commissioner McAfee also expressed interest in sitting down with Director Robacker to gain a better understanding of various financial matters. She acknowledged the significant progress made among all three organizations, encouraging everyone to keep up the good work.

**Commissioner Willis** – Commissioner Willis inquired about the types of L&I injuries that would be affected by the new legislative laws for LEOFF II members. Additionally, he asked how the unification of the Districts would impact the Sustainability Resolution and the replacement plan of resources.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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