

Mason County Fire District 18 Board of Commissioners

April 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cochran at 1700 hours. Also present was Commissioner Mark McDougall.

Fire Personnel: Michael Sexton, Camille Lemke, Joanne Carson, Gavin Rightmyer, Joseph Hill

Secretary: Karen Thomas

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent/Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Commissioner McDougall. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

**Previous Minutes:**

Hoodsport Fire & EMS

March 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner McDougall moved to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills and Payroll:**

Total of \$154,998.60 and payroll for the month of April.

\$136,445.06 in EXPENSE

\$18,553.54 in EMS

Motion to pay the bills and payroll made by Commissioner McDougall. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

**Chiefs Report:**

40 calls in March bringing us to 130 calls year-to-date at the end of March.

Pictures were shared of the boat building progress as of 4/10/2024.

We are working with DNR to get a permit to use a specific section of land that has a bridge for Rope Rescue training.

Green Diamond provided their 2024 Fire Plan.

We applied for a DNR 50/50 grant which helps provide for wildland gear and already picked up our order.

Our Temporary Summer Hire Position was offered and accepted by Tim Havnar. He will be on our calendar from May 12-September 12, 2024

The propane tank in Hoodsport was replaced 4/9/2024.

Had a conversation with District 17s Chief Brown and Brinnons Chief Manly on how to best support the area.

Firewise is building a shed behind Station 18-1 to store equipment and do community education on firewise practices and construction.

We got our radios in that are digital capable.

We had our annual pump testing, there is some work that needs to be done and we are working through scheduling that.

Our Brush Trucks have been de-winterized and the snowplow was removed.

Moving forward, Chief will be involved with the LCMC winter/plow planning meetings.

We are starting a book loaning program. Topics will include growth and development both personally and professionally.

Chief requesting to the Commissioners to miss June commissioner meeting, he will be on vacation. Approved by Commissioner Cochran and Commissioner McDougall.

Motion for Board Chair to sign any Board for Volunteer Firefighters paperwork for the year 2024 by Commissioner McDougall. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Cochran. Passed Unanimously.

#### **Old Business:**

Brackets were made to protect the cameras when installed on the outside of the vehicle. Back up Cameras: Work in Progress

Open House 2024: TBD

WSP Contract: it has been signed and we are waiting on getting a copy back

Mason County IIA: We are waiting on getting it back.

Boat: The bid was awarded and they have been working on it. Pictures of its progress were shown.

#### **New Business:**

PDC Filing is due by 4/15/2024.

Procurement Laws Webinar with Attorney Brian Snure: 4/19/24 will go over new purchasing standards. We will be registering and sending the links to the Commissioners.

Congratulations to Trinity Rightmyer for passing her probationary year.

We are applying for a SAFER grant which would cover the costs of 2 additional full-time positions for three years, at which point it is the expectation that we would take over the costs associated with their employment.

Our State Auditors Report has been started and is being actively worked on. It is due by May 29, 2024.

We will be having a community CPR event June 1, 2024.

#### **Good of the Order:**

We recently had 6 students finish EMT class and have 2 more in class. They are all working through different stages in the testing. Approximately one-third of our roster are IV techs, and Jacee just finished the requirements to be a paramedic. The continued growth and number of responders on our roster that are certified is exciting for our community.

The Auxiliary's Community Easter Egg Hunt had an amazing turn out! The weather was great and they did an amazing job putting it together.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:14 pm



Chair Cochran



Commissioner Bodin



Commissioner McDougall