

MINUTES

EAST GRAYS HARBOR FIRE AND RESCUE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

November 8, 2021

The Grays Harbor Fire District 5 Board of Commissioners met at the Elma Fire Station, located at 112 N. 2nd Street, Elma, WA 98541, for the regular monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2021, and on Zoom.

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Commissioner Hauge.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Pledge of Allegiance. Followed by Commissioner Hauge reading the Boards mission statement for this meeting.

3. **Roll Call:**

In attendance were Commissioner Hauge, Commissioner Patton via Zoom, Chief Fulbright & Secretary Jody Coon. Commissioner Crisp excused absence

4. **Approval of the Agenda:**

Commissioner Hauge made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of C. COLA discussion. Commissioner Patton second the motion, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

5. **Approval of Minutes:**

- a. Commissioner Hauge made a motion to approve the October 12, 2021, minutes. Commissioner Patton second the motion, all voted in favor. Motion passed

6. **Financial:**

- a. Approval of Expenses
 - (1) 2nd Batch No action needed
 - (2) 1st Batch for November 2021

Commissioner Hauge made a motion to approve the 1st batch of expenses for November. Commissioner Patton second the motion, all voted in favor motion passed.

(2) Review October payroll -No action required

(3) Approval of November Draw and Payroll.

Commissioner Hauge made a motion to approve November draw and month end payroll. Commissioner Patton second the motion. All voted in favor, motion passed.

(4) Review of month end reports – No Action

7. **Communications:**

- a. Grays Harbor County Prosecutor – Next date December 10, 2021, for sentencing.
- b. Agreement with Grays Harbor District 1 – Nothing new to report, planned meeting next week.

8. **Chief's Report:**

See attached copy of Chief's report.

9. **Old Business:**

- a. Navistar Chassis – No movement still waiting for computer chips to be received. Commissioner Patton asked Chief to have a letter written.
- b. High School Plan – Draft proposal presented for review. Commissioner Hauge asked to table the decision for one month. Commissioner Patton agreed.
- c. SPMC Protection Fee – Draft contract received from district attorney, waiting to discuss highlighted areas with attorney this week.

10. **New Business:**

- a. Command vehicle upgrade – Chief is asking for the board to approve the purchase of new command vehicle. Discussion regarding spending cap and type of vehicle to be purchased. Commissioner Hauge made a motion to approve the purchase of a new (used) command vehicle to be purchased up to \$25,000. Commissioner Patton is willing to spend a little more if vehicle

found does not need to be converted to a command vehicle. Commissioner Patton second the motion, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

- b. Chief presented a draft budget proposal for 2022 for review. Still waiting for Grays Harbor to finalize tax revenue.
- c. COLA Discussion – Chief brought to the attention of the board the inequality of the COLA’s throughout the staff. Chief proposed an equal COLA throughout the staff. Commissioner Patton views COLA as performance-based raise, Commissioner Hauge explained the difference COLA and performance-based raise. He also requested this issue to be table for one month. Commissioner Patton agreed, discussion tabled.

11. **Executive Session** – Not needed

12. **Commissioner Comments:**

- a. Commissioner Patton – Wants to thank Chief for continuing working toward his degree. Jody has been doing a great job. Thank to the rest of the staff too.
- b. Commissioner Hauge – Wants to reiterate Commissioner Patton’s words.

13. **Public Comment:**

Question was asked if the budget meeting is a public meeting. Also, requested copies of passed budgets.

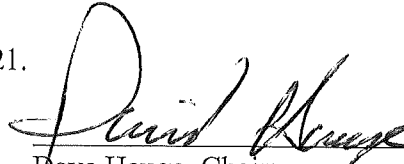
14. **Meeting of Local Board of Volunteer Firefighters Council:**

Signature needed for BVFF exam.

15. **Awards / Appreciation / Retirement**

16. **Adjournment:** - Meeting Adjourned at 8:42

Approved this December 14th, 2021.



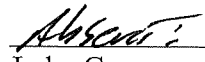

Dave Hauge, Chairman

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Jim Crisp, Commissioner

Eric Patton, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Jody Coon
District Secretary *Chief*