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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

February 7th, 2023

The East Grays Harbor Fire and Rescue Board of Commissioners met at Station 5-5, located at 112 N. 2nd Street, Elma, WA 98541, for the regular monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. on February 7th, 2023, and on Microsoft Teams.

1. **Call to Order:**

Called to order at 6:59 p.m. by Commissioner Hauge.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**

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3. **Mission Statement:**

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Prior to roll call, Commissioner Patton stated that he did not give permission to be recorded by the public. The device was shut down and the meeting resumed.

4. **Roll Call:**

Commissioner Reinhart, Commissioner Krouse, Commissioner Hauge, Commissioner Patton, Chief Fulbright & Secretary Alison Sinclair. Commissioner Borden excused absence.

5. **Approval of the Agenda:**

Commissioner Hauge would like to add to New Business- D. Grant Writer. Commissioner Reinhart motioned, and it was seconded by Commissioner Krouse to approve the agenda.

6. **Approval of the Minutes:**

Commissioner Patton motioned to approve the January 10th, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.

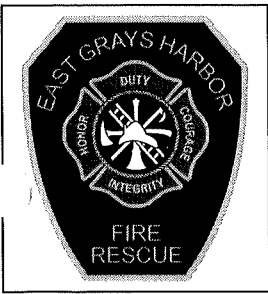
Commissioner Krouse motioned to approve the January 18th, 2023, special meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.

7. **Awards/Appreciation/Retirement:**

No business

8. **Financial:**

a. Approval of Expenses



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(1) 2nd Batch for January 2023

- a. Commissioner Krouse made a motion to approve EMS transactions 43 to 48, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.
- b. Commissioner Krouse made a motion to approve General transactions 49 to 59, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.

(2) 1st Batch for February 2023

- a. Commissioner Krouse made a motion to approve payroll transactions 116 to 119, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.
- b. Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve EMS transactions 129 to 134, seconded by Commissioner Krouse. Motion carried.
- c. Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve General warrants 120 to 128, seconded by Commissioner Krouse. Motion carried.

b. **Review of January Draw and Payroll:**

No action required and no discussion.

c. **Approval of February Draw and Payroll:**

Commissioner Krouse made a motion to approve February Draw and Payroll, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.

d. **Review of month-end reports:**

Chief Fulbright presented month-end reports.

9. **Communications:**

No business

10. **Chief's Report:**

See attached copy of Chief's report.

11. **Old Business:**

- a. High School Plan – We will be meeting again with the school board soon.
- b. Tender 5-21 – Covered in Chief's report.
- c. Lexipol - Covered in Chief's report.
- d. EMS Availability Agreements- Will table until special meeting



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12. New Business:

- a. Resolution 23-02 Surplus of 2 Ambulances- Discussion about the surplus both ambulances. Commissioner Patton voiced concerns of using the newer ambulances at special events like the racetrack. Commissioner Hauge made a motion to surplus Medic 5-31 only and keeping Medic 5-13 for back up, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.
- b. Fire Station Feasibility Study- Table discussion until after the results of upcoming election.
- c. Fire Levy Lid Lift- Table discussion until after the results of upcoming election.
- d. Grant Writer- Discussion about hiring a professional grant writer and what the cost would be. Board would like to table until special meeting so Chief can get more information.

13. Public Comment:

Kaylene Wright had a few questions to ask the Board directly. She stated that it was ok if the Board didn't have the answers immediately available. She prefaced that she would not like any retaliatory action taken against her.

Commissioner Hauge asked her to clarify what she meant by that statement, and she stated again that she would just like no retaliatory action taken against her.

- What percent of the budget goes to the response of 911 calls?
Commissioner Patton stated 100% of the budget goes toward the response of 911 calls. Mrs. Wright clarified that she would like to know what percent of the budget goes toward the staff responding to the 911 calls. The Board will get that information to her.
- What is the total budget for the year?
They stated that would get that information to her.
- How long are the Commissioner terms and who is due next?
Commissioner Hauge responded with 6 years each, 2 years apart and that they believe Commissioner Patton ends next. Either Commissioner Borden or Commissioner Reinhart will be coming up for election soon also.



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Liisa Mayberry presented a letter regarding the Commissioner Patton's email from the last meeting. In the letter she asked for Commissioner Patton's resignation effective immediately (exhibit A).

- Commissioner Hauge asked Liisa if she had spoken to Chief Fulbright about her concerns like they had asked her to do last meeting? She stated she had not. Commissioner Patton stated that he would not be resigning as Commissioner today.

14. **Commissioner Comments:**

- Commissioner Hauge – No comment
- Commissioner Patton- No comment
- Commissioner Krouse – No comment
- Commissioner Reinhart – No comment

15. **Meeting of Local Board of Volunteer Firefighter's Council**

No business

16. **Executive Session:**

The Commissioners went into executive session per RCW 42.30.140(4) at 7:51pm for 1 hour. At 8:51pm Commissioner Hauge returned and extended the executive session for an additional 10 minutes. Regular meeting resumed at 9:00pm.

Discussion was had regarding public employee's performance. No action taken.

17. **Adjournment:** - Motion to adjourn at 9:00pm by Commissioner Patton, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.

Approved this March 7th, 2023.


Dave Hauge, Chairman

Eric Patton, Commissioner



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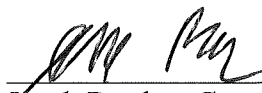
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Robert Krouse, Commissioner

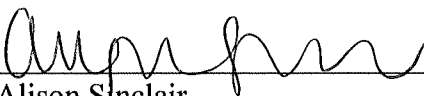
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John Reinhart, Commissioner



Jacob Borden, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Alison Sinclair
District Secretary