



MINUTES
Mid- Columbia Fire and Rescue
Board of Directors Meeting
In Person / Virtually Held
1400 W 8th Street, The Dalles, OR 97058
February 26, 2024

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Jacobs called the Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Jacobs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Directors Present: David Jacobs, Corey Case, Walter Denstedt, and Diana Bailey. Dick Schaffeld attended via telephone.

Staff Present: Chief Bob Palmer, Assistant Chief David Jensen, Division Chief Jay Wood, Division Chief Fred Coleman, Division Chief Josh Beckner, and Office Manager Stephanie Ziegler.

Others Present: Legal Counsel Andrew Meyers and Lifesaving Commendation Award recipients along with family and friends of the recipients.

4. AGENDA CHANGES

None.

5. MINUTES

The minutes of the January 22, 2024, meeting stand approved as written.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. None.
- b. Lifesaving Commendation Awards: Code Save – July 26, 2023. Chief Palmer thanked everyone in attendance for coming and then read the history of CPR Chain of Survival. Chief Palmer then spoke about the events that took place on July 26, 2023. He then presented each person that was involved in the code save with a Lifesaving Commendation certificate along with a Challenge Coin.

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Balance Sheets/Combined Cash Accounts – There were no comments.
- b. Ambulance Service Financial Report – There were no comments.



8. COMMITTEE REPORT

- a. Urban Renewal Report – Director Denstedt provided a report on the two meetings that took place, one on January 16, 2024, and on February 20, 2024. Director Denstedt stated that the board voted on a new projector for Lewis & Clark Park. He also spoke about the Mill Creek Greenway walkway, First Street revitalization and renovating the Blue Building on the corner of Washington and First Street.

9. FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT

- a. Fire Chief’s Report – Included in board packet. Chief Palmer asked if anyone had any questions regarding his report, Director Denstedt asked for a copy of the ASA report. Chief Palmer stated that he and Chief Jensen had gone through the report and redlined it then sent it to the County. There has been no meeting scheduled yet for approval of the ASA Report. He stated that he would provide each of the board members a copy of the draft report. Chief Palmer then went through his report giving more of an update on each of the items in the report.
- b. Monthly Report – Assistant Chief Jensen, included in board packet
- c. Monthly Report – Division Chief Beckner, included in board packet.
- d. Monthly Report - Division Chief Wood, included in board packet.
- e. Monthly Report – Division Chief Coleman, included in board packet.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

11. OLD BUSINESS

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution No. 2024-01 – Restatement of the Wasco County Fire Defense Board Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement (IGA). Before the board voted on the Resolution there was discussion on what is and what isn’t a mutual aid fire. Director Case made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-01 – Restatement of the Wasco County Fire Defense Board Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement. Director Denstedt seconded. All in favor; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion passed.
- b. Resolution No. 2024-02 – Restatement of the Five County Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement (IGA). There was significant discussion before Director Jacobs called for a vote. Director Denstedt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-02 – Restatement of the Five County Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement. Director Case seconded. All in favor; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion passed.



13. GOOD OF THE ORDER

None.

14. ADJOURNMENT

President Jacobs adjourned the meeting at 19:06 p.m.



Board President

Secretary/Treasurer