

# MINUTES Chelan Fire and Rescue Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 3:00 P.M. 232 East Wapato, Chelan, WA



The CFR Board of Commissioners will conduct the meeting in person at the fire station; you are welcome to join via Zoom. The public is welcome to participate by following this link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87284665516">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87284665516</a> Meeting ID: 872 8466 5516 or dial +1 253 215 8782

Proposed Chelan Fire and Rescue agenda pending Board approval.

#### Flag Salute

Roll Call: Chairman Russ Jones, Commissioner Karyl Oules, Commissioner Phil Moller, Fire Chief Brandon Asher, Assistant Fire Chief Shawn Sherman, and Administrative Assistant Karla Mendoza.

Others: Ron Simmons, Anne Brautovich-Clark, Steve Clark, Barry Leahy, Mark Donnell, Rich Uhlhorn, Kyle Byrne, Duke Odenrider, Marcia Holmdahl, Troy Keene

Regular Meeting Call to Order: The regular meeting opened at 3:00 p.m. Badge Pinning: New Hires Firefighters/Kyle Byrne and Duke Odenrider

Approve Agenda: MOTION was made to APPROVE the agenda as submitted the MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment: None

### Consent Agenda: MOTION was made to APPROVE the Consent Agenda as submitted the MOTION CARRIED.

- Revenue and Expenditure Report: October 2022 (not available)
- Payroll: September 22, 2022, to October 24, 2022 / Paid 11-04-2022 for \$204,985.78
- General Account Vouchers: 10-07-2022 Transactions 1127 to 1139 for \$5,207.19; 10-14-2022 Transactions 1144 to 1159 for \$12,467.09; 10-21-2022 Transactions 1170 to 1189 for \$29,404.33; 10-28-2022 Transactions 1209 to 1214 for \$9,557.46.
- Capital Account Vouchers: 10-22-2022 Transactions 1190 for \$314.02; 10-29-2022 Transactions 1215 to 1216 for \$3,382.34.
- Minutes: October 11 and 19, 2022

### Fire Chief Report: (Chief Asher) Chief's Update

#### 2022 Budget & Financials:

October Financials have not come in.

### **Emergency Response Reports:**

- October Incident Response Report shows 105 calls for emergency service, with our 10-year average call volume for October at 68 calls. Increase of 36% over last October.
- Rescue/EMS responses accounted for 74% of total calls for service, with 29% of non-transport (including patients who died at the scene) or patient-transported POV.
- Major incidents for October: Refer to list
- Capt. Jones took a strike team back to Bolt Creek Fire in Index. B79 responded to Nakia Fire in Clark County
- October turnout and response times (primary apparatus at Station 71) are within established service delivery goals in SOG 010.
- Effective Work Force: Effective workforce was acceptable, with no major responses within District.



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Total fire loss for October was \$8.80 within FD7

### Administration:

- We were still waiting on our evaluation's WSRB rating score last month.
- We are all working on our part of the newsletter that will go out to the public in January. Salmonberry Designs will help to get this put together.
- We have the event location secured for the awards/recognition banquet.
- Chief Sherman, Commissioner Jones, and I attended the Annual Commissioners conference in Spokane.

### **Operations:**

- FF's Preheim and Steady are still attending the regional Fire Academy. Their last day is November 24<sup>th</sup>, with graduation on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. FF Steady will then start the EMT class on December 5<sup>th</sup>, and FF Preheim will go to A-Shift
- Hazmat Technician Training Dates are being planned for February.
- FF Simpsons and FF Dietrich worked their last shifts as Seasonal at the end of October. Thanks to all the seasonals for providing us with critical staffing throughout the busy months of the year.

### Community Risk Reduction:

- We did not receive any more WFRN requests during October. I will stop reporting on this until Spring.
- We recently had a few events where we were able to hand out some fire safety information.
   Additionally, we were able to hand out volunteer applications.

### **Apparatus Status:**

- John is still working on the T74 transmission issue. It is currently out of service.
- Brindlee Mountain sent a couple of truck specs, but nothing they have sent would work for our fleet. It's encouraging that they're staying on it.
- We are still researching what we will do with our DNR Phase 2 grant. Recently, we discovered
  that DNR will allow us to outfit the new 2023 command rig with 2022 awarded grant funds, so
  we do not lose out on the grant funds.
- New batteries were bought for the Tahoe. Tahoe had low-cranking amps that should not have started, especially in cold weather.
- Began searching for radio, lights, sirens, etc., for the new CH71.

### **Stations:**

- We've had great feedback about the new sign.
- Station 71 flooring people have still not come and finished their punch list. They will be taking the large amount of extra material we have and getting us an estimate on what it will take to complete the first floor. The flooring provider was trying to get clarification yesterday from the installers on when this could occur.
- We've been doing some tweaks on the A/V system to improve the zoom experience and still hear people through the speakers.
- Researching a \$30,000 block grant for station design and development
- We are still waiting on a proposal from the Forest Service on St. 74



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### Long-Range Discussion:

• What is a reasonable timeframe for the St. 71 remodel? Do we want to put design funds towards it in 2023? We will be researching a \$30,000 design block grant.

### Assistant Fire Chief Report (Asst. Chief Sherman)

- Volunteer Training Program- a few volunteers are investing real time and effort to create a program for a recruitment
- Speaking to Wenatchee Valley Fire Authority about a truck academy- to take our engine companies and turn them into Ladder Companies
  - Our crews are masters on the Engines, but on structure fires, the Ladder is needed, and crews need to get up to the same level of expertise with the Ladder as on Engines.
- We have one person signed up for the recruit academy who is completing their requirements to attend February's academy.
- Working on section 3 for probationary firefighters: Kyle Byrne and Duke Odenrider
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022, joint training Manson and Chelan in Manson
- First Co-Op Training Tuesday Night Drill

### Firefighters Association Report (Ron Simmons)

- Inaudible
- Association approved the purchase of a monitor for firefighting capabilities on Marine 71
- Nominations for Association Membership being conducted at the next Association Meeting

### **Unfinished Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

 Out of State Travel for Chaplin Training for CFR7 chaplains for a Mental Health / Wellbeing Conference in 2023

### MOTION was made to APPROVE the Out of State Travel for Chaplains the MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 2022-07 Surplus 2008 Ford 350 to surplus vehicle

### MOTION was made to APPROVE the Resolution 2022-07 the MOTION CARRIED.

### **Special Events:**

- KOZI Community Connection November 17, 2022, @ 8:10 a.m. Commissioner Moller/Chief Asher
- Thanksgiving Dinner Lunch-November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at MOE to sit with the students whose parents cannot make it to have lunch with students
- Hometown Holiday Parade Tour- Looking for volunteers to drive trucks

Board for Volunteer Firefighters: None

**Public Comment: None** 

### **Commissioner Comments:**



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Commissioner Oules- Has received immense feedback from community members about how happy and pleased they are with Chelan Fire and Rescue, and felt the need to pass the word along and thank the district for the direction it is now on.

Commissioner Moller- Very pleased with the direction the Department is on and would like to see that continue.

Commissioner Jones: Thought that the Veteran's Day Lunch was a success. It was neat to get to allow Veterans to stay around and allow them to visit for a while, which was a nice atmosphere.

Commissioner Jones closed regular meetings at 15:55 to go into an executive section for 5 minutes.

### **Executive Session:**

RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee.

Commissioner Jones closed the executive section at 14:00, and no action was taken in the executive section.

Commissioner Jones opened the regular meeting at 14:01.

### Adjournment:

No more business, the meeting closed at 14:02

Chelan County Fire Protection District 7	
Board of Commissioners:	
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Chairman, Russ Jones	
Commissioner, Phil Moller	
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Commissioner, Karyl Oules	Attest: Karla Mendoza