



MINUTES
Chelan Fire and Rescue
Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 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 join by following this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87284665516> Meeting ID: 872 8466 5516 or
dial +1 253 215 8782*

Proposed Chelan Fire and Rescue agenda pending Board approval.

Flag Salute

Roll Call: Commissioner Russ Jones, Commissioner Karyl Oules, Fire Chief Brandon Asher, and Administrative Assistant Karla Mendoza.

Others In Attendance: Barry Leahy, Anne Clark, Marcia Holmdahl, Ray Eickmeyer, Chris Backer, Mr. Olson, Rich Uhlhorn, Chief Baker, Ron Simmons, Via Zoom- Mike Maltais-Media, Via Zoom-Pam Perkins-Nicholson and Associates

Open Public Hearing Call to Order: Commissioner Jones opened a Public Hearing at 15:00.

Public Comments on the 2024 Budget: No public comments on the 2024 Budget.

Adjourn Open Public Hearing: Closed Public Hearing at 15:03

Regular Meeting Call to Order: Commissioner Jones called to order the regular meeting at 15:04

Approve Agenda: Addition recommendation to add new Special Events to the event calendar and move December's Commissioner Meeting from the 20th to December 13th, 2023. A MOTION was made to APPROVE the agenda with the addition to Special Events and Changing of Commissioner Meeting the MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment: No Public Comments

Consent Agenda:

- Revenue and Expenditure Report: October 2023 Delayed
- Payroll: September 26, 2023, to October 24, 2023 / Paid 11-05-2023; Benefits \$94,993.87, Wages \$118,036.42 for a total of \$213,030.29
- General Account Vouchers: 10/06/2023 #1208-1217 for \$6,097.61, 10/13/2023 #1224-1234 for \$6,930.46, 10/20/2023 #1264-1283 for \$5,595.86.
- Capital Account Vouchers: 10/07/2023 #1218 for \$5,061.76, 10/14/2023 #1235-1236 for \$10,653.10, 10/21/2023 #1284-1286 for \$3,839.68.
- Minutes: October 18, 2023

Nicholson and Associates Presentation: District Insurance – Interlocal Agreement

- Pam Perkins, agent for Nicolson Insurance Agency, presented the costs and benefits of going into group insurance with Chelan County Fire District 5. The underwriter is North Central Washington Risk Management with VFIS, and Nicolson Insurance is the agent. Pam stated there are other fire districts who want to join the group along with Lake Chelan EMS.
- Deductibles will decrease in auto and facilities. *See current and new policy coverages spreadsheet comparable.
- Liability amounts will increase. *See current and new policy coverages spreadsheet comparable.
- Annual Cost \$38,418.57
- Renewal will take place in September 2024.



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A MOTION was made to MOVE FORWARD and APPROVE Entering Into the Interlocal Agreement of Group Insurance MOTION CARRIED.

Fire Chief Report: (Chief Asher)

- 2023 Budget & Financial Report - October 2023 Delayed
- October - Emergency Response Report / Operations / Community Risk Reduction / Apparatus Update

2023 Budget & Financials:

- October Financials will be presented at the next meeting. Should still be well within budget. No major purchases.

Emergency Response Reports:

- October Incident Response Report shows 97 calls for emergency service with our 10-year average call volume for October at 71 calls. 2nd busiest October.
- Rescue/EMS responses accounted for 68% of total calls for service with 31% of those non-transport (includes patients who died at scene) or patient-transported POV which is a bit higher than normal.
- Major incidents for October: See PPT
- 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 for call types.
- Total fire loss for October is \$25,000 no tax loss since not taxable property.

Administration:

- ESO migration is ongoing. We are waiting for Rivercom to get the CAD integration complete so we can train on filling outcalls on ESO.
- TIF—We have fallen farther apart in the mitigation with the City of Chelan. The city has our mitigation plan, their mitigation plan, and the option of waiting till 2024. We must have an annual report showing the additional calls from within the TIF area anyway. Their plan of 95% occupancy and 10% of overall district call volume did not work for me. We will continue to try and finalize a plan as soon as possible. Attorney Quinn is active in our negotiation process.
- Station 244 in Orondo is officially open and has been added to WSRB's website. Since we have it as automatic aid through dispatch, we will also get credit in the Chelan Falls area for that.
- The Commissioner's conference was a couple of weeks ago Commissioner Jones, Karla, and I attended. There was a lot of good information and TIF was the hot topic.

Operations:

- FF Fogelson is back to regular duty as the Floater.
- Shift bids have been completed. Karla is working on the 2024 shift calendar.



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Community Risk Reduction/Events:

- A lot of fire prevention items were given out during the Halloween event.

Apparatus Status:

- Fire capabilities of the boat is still a work in progress.
- Yesterday there was a surplus command vehicle grant that became available through the DNR. We applied because we could really use one more command/staff vehicle. If the quality isn't up to par we can always just turn it down.
- Mechanic Miller repaired the ladder slow turn to the right on L71.
- The type 3 brush truck is still going through its refurbishment. It is awaiting its new pump and should be ready for the final inspection the first week of December.
- Spartan engines are moving along. We're still hoping to do the final in mid-January.
- We are still holding onto E73 for now until we get a clearer picture on when we'll get the new Spartans.

Stations:

- Station 71 generator update. Still a very frustrating project. We're waiting to hear back from an Orondo electrician. We're now thinking about making it a mobile setup. Especially with the thought of future station construction.

Long Range Discussion:

- Any long-range topics that have been brought to anyone's attention. Long-range planning will be scheduled today.

Assistant Fire Chief Report (Asst. Chief Sherman)

- Volunteer Recruitment / Training
- 4-5 potential Volunteer for next 2024 Recruit Academy
- Tyler Rice will be done with Academy on December 5, 2023
- Our volunteers have been more hands-on with teaching, which has been great.

Firefighters Association Report (Ron Simmons)

- Veteran's Day Lunch was a success. Thanks to Local4816 and the Association for the food and help.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Resolution 2023-09 Levy 2024 and Certificate
- **A MOTION was made to APPROVE Resolution 2023-09 Levy 2024 and the MOTION CARRIED.**
- District Insurance-Presentation - (Presented At the Beginning of the Meeting)



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Special Events:

- KOZI – Community Connection Thursday, November 16, 2023 @ **8:10 a.m.** – Fire Chief Asher and Commissioner Jones.
- MOE Thanksgiving Lunch-Thursday, November 16, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m-12:45 p.m.-Cost is \$5.00 per person
- TIF Workshop-Wenatchee-Chelan County Assessor-December 7, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.
- Chelan Fire and Rescue Annual Social and Accolades-@ The Landing on December 12, 2023- 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Santa’s Stars-Chelan Walmart- December 14, 2023 @ 9:00 a.m.

Board for Volunteer Firefighters: None

Public Comment: No Comments

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Jones-Veteran’s Day lunch is a great community event. Enjoys having community get-togethers and wants to see things like this continue and keep going. It’s a challenge to get people together to help, but there are strong leaders in the group.

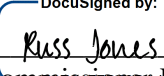
Chief Asher- Thanked the duty crew for helping the HDCA put up the Christmas tree downtown Chelan.

Adjournment: There was no more business before the board of commissioners.

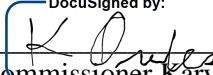
- **A MOTION was made to Adjourn the meeting at 15:48 the MOTION CARRIED.**

Chelan County Fire Protection District 7
Board of Commissioners:

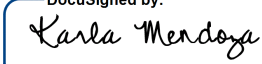
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