

SOUTH WHIDBEY FIRE / EMS

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SOUTH WHIDBEY FIRE/EMS REGULAR MEETING 5579 Bayview Road, Langley, WA 98260 June 20, 2024 – 5:30pm Minutes

In Attendance: Commissioner Noblet & Chief Walsh

Audience: Assistant Chief Ney, Division Chief Magallon, Mary Kaye Johansen, Frankie Petitclerc, Jerry Hill, Daniel Laszlo, Linda Schwarz, Vicky McFarlane, Mary Jane Miller, Jim Hyde, Jackie Lasater, Joni Panciera, Lenna Rose, Kathryn Tooker, Cynthia Fitzgerald & Lee McGuire

Zoom: Commissioner Erickson, Lt. Kalahiki, FF/EMT Husom, FF/EMT Lund, FF/EMT Diffie, FF/EMT Benenati & FF/EMT Bannister

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Erickson called the meeting to order at 5:31pm

II. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Noblet motioned to approve the agenda; Commissioner Erickson seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

III. Public Input

Jackie Lasater – Asked that South Whidbey Fire/EMS to support a change to Island County Code to add fireworks to the list of prohibited uses during a Type 1 burn ban. Commissioner Noblet clarified that the document provided is the correct wording to be used. Jackie confirmed that it was.

Mary Jane Miller – States that she is on acreage that is land locked and narrow access road and worried about fireworks and dry conditions. Address is hard to locate. Chief Walsh stated to stop by during regular business hours and SWFE can install a blue address sign. Frankie Petitclerc – Expressed concern for fireworks during any type of burn ban.

Sunny Fitzgerald – Expressed support for banning all personal fireworks during burn ban. Lee McGuire – Expressed concern for discharging of personal fireworks.

Daniel Laszlo – Expressed concern for discharging of personal fireworks.

Lenna Rose – Expressed support for banning fireworks.

Jerry Hill – Expressed concern for the discharging of personal fireworks and support the banning of fireworks.

Jim Hyde – Concerned with the climate change that we are drying out and higher risk for fires.

Linda Schwarz – Concerned with the dry conditions and the risk of a fire.

Chief Walsh stated that the South Whidbey Fire/EMS Board of Commissioners has been in support of banning the use of personal fireworks. This issue is a County wide issue.

Commissioner Noblet also shared his concerns for the discharging of personal fireworks.

Commissioner Erickson thanked everyone for their input.

IV. Consent Agenda All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of South Whidbey Fire/EMS's Board of Commissioners for reading and study. They are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Commissioners with no separate discussion. If a separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request.

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting May 9th Finance Reports Budget Position Report Check Register Treasurer's Report

Monthly Vouchers

Dated 5/2/2024 for Payroll EFT in the amount of \$93,567.43 Dated 5/2/2024 for Payroll in the amount of \$782.66 Dated 5/3/2024 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$4,024.81 Dated 5/10/2024 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$18,680.94 Dated 5/16/2024 for Payroll EFT in the amount of \$92,607.36 Dated 5/17/2024 for Payroll EFT in the amount of \$2,274.38 Dated 5/17/2024 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$32,170.33 Dated 5/30/2024 for Payroll EFT in the amount of \$103,731.65 Dated 5/31/2024 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$55,084.38 Dated 5/1-5/31/2024 for Payroll Liabilities in the amount of \$174,095.80

Total Warranties \$577,019.74

Commissioner Noblet motioned to approve the Consent Agenda; Commissioner Erickson seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Member Update

None

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business

Chief's Report

Chief Walsh went over our call volume for the month of May as well as our 4th, 5th and 6th seat coverage. Currently have 2 members in the onboarding process. Went over upcoming events.

VII. Announcements

None

VIII. Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Noblet would like to consider having a meeting with the Sheriff regarding the ban on fireworks.

IX. Conclude

Commissioner Noblet motioned to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Erickson seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Erickson adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 6:42pm.

Nicole Hagen, Board Secretary