

**SOUTH WHIDBEY
FIRE/EMS REGULAR
MEETING**

**5579 Bayview Road, Langley,
Washington December 9th, 2021 –
5:30 PM
Agenda**

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Attendance via GoTo Meeting: Chairman Noblet, Commissioner Mestemacher (by phone), Commissioner Towers (by phone), Deputy Chief Jon Beck, Deputy Chief Terry Ney. FF/EMT Blake Benenati, Sherrye Wyatt, Savannah Erickson, Morgan Ratcliff, Susan Prentiss, Morgan Ratcliff, Hunter Corbett. 1 unidentified callers in meeting.

- I. Call to Order. Chairman Noblet called the meeting to order at 5:34p.m.
- II. Oath of office for new Commissioner. Strike
- III. Approval of Agenda. Commissioner Towers, made a motion to approve agenda. Commissioner Mestemacher seconded.
- IV. Public Input. None
- V. 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 to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Commissioners with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request.
 - a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Special Meeting on November 4th(a), 2021
 - ii. Regular Meeting on November 9th, 2021
 - iii. Special Meeting on November 22nd, 2021
 - b. Finance Officer's Reports –
 - c. Monthly Vouchers- \$252,857.87

Commissioner Mestemacher made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Commissioner Towers seconded.

- VI. Unfinished Business –
 - a. Update on volunteer recruitment and retention. Adding 5 new members tonight.
 - b. Update on fire chief search. 11 applicants, 6 still in the running and will be sent supplemental questionnaires. One applicant has accepted another job. Intent to weed down to 4 or 5. All applicants are in leadership in their organization. Would need 3 weeks, early to mid-January for assessment center. Chief Palmer assumes new chief will be on board for an overlap with him. Offer by February 1st, would give a week to two weeks overlap. Commissioner Noblet asked Chief Palmer to reach out to ESCI and make sure the candidates are aware of the timeline.

VII. New Business –

- a. New members: Morgan Ratcliff, ST32, Ranger Buck, ST36; Victor Reeves, ST 31; Trevor Mollenkopf, ST32 FF/EMT; Kristi Ranta, ST36 FF/EMT; Hunter Corbett, ST36 FF/EMT. Commissioner Noblet welcomed them to the organization
- b. 2022 Healthcare Renewal Form. Commissioner Mestemacher made a motion to approve. Commissioner, Towers seconded. Motion carried.
- c. Resolution 2021-14 Warrant Cancellation. Commissioner Towers made a motion to approve. Commissioner Mestemacher seconded
- d. Discussion of adding June 19th (Juneteenth) as a Paid Holiday. Chief Palmer said a consensus would allow him to move forward with the policy amendment.

VIII. Announcements – Santa Sleigh 5-9 tonight, tomorrow night, and Saturday night.

- IX. Comments from Commissioners. Commissioner Noblet, recognized Commissioner Mestemacher for his service to the board and the community. Commissioner Mestemacher said he felt it was an honor and a privilege to serve. Commissioner Noblet acknowledged the work of DC Beck on getting the email virus from today, under control. DC Beck, thanked Michael Hastings as he did the work.

X. Executive Session: None

XI. Action taken as result of Executive Session: None

XII. Conclude. Chairman Noblet concluded the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Vicki Lange, Alternate District Secretary