

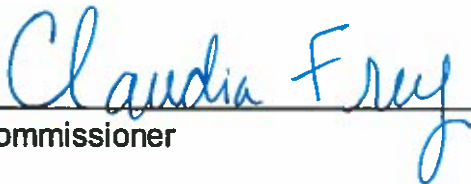
Pierce County Fire District 23 Board of Commissioners' Regular Meeting June 14, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District 23 met at 7 p.m., Monday, June 14, 2021 by Zoom for their regular monthly meeting. Those present included Commissioners Claudia Frey and Joseph Koehler, Chief Matthew Medford and District Secretary Nancy Adams. Commissioner Tylor was absent. Comm. Frey acted as chair for the meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.


The district secretary had the board approve Ed Darby's retirement. The secretary went over the financial report. The chief read his report. The secretary said that she intended to push to move forward checking accounts for playing bills and payroll. With SCBA gear, the chief said he was looking into obtaining either grants or loans from USRDA.

Under new business, the board approved Resolution 21-002 for the EMS levy in November and Resolution 21-003 for the lid lift. The board talked about replacing the command car. After some discussion about vehicle rigs, the board approved a motion to allow the chief to purchase a utility rig up to \$10,000. This could be converted to a response EMS vehicle that volunteers could respond with, cutting down on response time. The chief said he would also start looking into purchasing a new command car.

The voucher list was approved as presented. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



Commissioner



Date



Commissioner

Chief's Report

June 2021

General:

- Above average call volume, close to matching record. For the first half of the year we have had 203 calls, the "average" first half is 123, and our old max 165.
- Work with Region 6 Chief's and a joint wildland task force progresses. Building out ILA and criteria of times to meet for staging on high fire danger days.
- Heat Dome affected the valley, and noticed rapid dry out of fine fuels in the valley. Fire Dangers rising earlier than expected.
- Coordination w/ Council on Fire EMS Levies, as well as Tacoma for the lake payment received a check from Tacoma but significantly lower than expected. Ongoing work with Council on the matter.
- Assisted Mount Rainier with Landing zone for Airlift of critically injured employee.

Facilities:

- Mower repaired from Pape six weeks later.
- Work on DNR wildland engine continues. Mostly serviceable. Had Lights and decals installed. Radios and tool outfitting continues.
- Inverter installed in Aid 86 discovered other electrical issues. Having Mechanic come out also noted a power charger issue, charger likely gone bad.
- Search for replacement Utility vehicles in progress. Some leads to follow up on.

Membership:

Responses:	42
• EMS:	28
• Fire:	7 (3 mutual aid to South Pierce) (1 NPS)
• Other:	7
• Year to Date:	203
• Last Year Comparison:	43 /145 (June 2020) (45* /165 June 2019)*Record
• Ambulance Runs:	6 D23 Transports (12 for June 2020) (12 for June 2019) 3 by South Pierce (3 for June 2020) (6 for June 2019) 1 Airlift NW 10 Total Transports

Meetings Attended:

- PC Chiefs Meeting
- Lewis County Fire Chief's Meeting
- Lewis County 17 Commissioners Meeting
- Pierce County Chief officer meeting regarding wildland response at Gig Harbor
- Priority Dispatch meeting w/ SS911 orientation, go live in August
- Zone 6 wildfire planning meeting
- SS911 Board meetings to listen to the hot topic is state 911 taxes and allocations.

Respectfully,
Chief Medford