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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY MEETING

August 8, 2023

The East Grays Harbor Fire and Rescue Board of Commissioners met at Station 5-5, located at 112 N. 2nd Street, Elma, WA 98541, for the regular monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 8, 2023, and on Microsoft Teams.

1. **Call to Order:**
Called to order at 7:00pm by Commissioner Hauge.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
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3. **Mission Statement:**
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4. **Roll Call:**
Commissioner Reinhart, Commissioner Krouse, Commissioner Hauge, Commissioner Borden, Commissioner Patton, Chief Ward, & Secretary Monica Thomas.
5. **Approval of the Agenda:**
Commissioner Reinhart made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Patton. Motion carried.
6. **Approval of the Minutes:**
Commissioner Reinhart motioned to approve the July 11, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Krouse. Motion carried.
7. **Awards/Appreciation/Introduction/Swearing in:**
 - a. Swearing in of FF/Medic Michael Nicholson.
 - b. Swearing in of FF/EMT Jacob Jones.
 - c. Swearing in of FF/Medic Kylie Turnquist.
8. **Financial:**
 - a. Approval of Expenses
 - (1) **2nd Batch for July 2023**
 - a. Commissioner Borden made a motion to approve EMS transactions 791-795, seconded by Commissioner Krouse. Motion carried.



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- b. Commissioner Reinhart made a motion to approve General transactions 769-790, seconded by Commissioner Krouse. Discussion of late charges, may have to raise batch amount, research additional batches and/or frequency. Motion carried.

(2) 1st Batch for August 2023

- a. Commissioner Krouse made a motion to approve payroll transactions 847-850, seconded by Commissioner Borden. Motion carried.
- b. Commissioner Borden made a motion to approve EMS transactions 896-899, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. Motion carried.
- c. Commissioner Reinhart made a motion to approve General warrants 900-918, seconded by Commissioner Borden. Motion carried.

b. Review of July Draw and Payroll:

No action required and no discussion.

c. Approval of August Draw and Payroll:

Commissioner Krouse made a motion to approve August draw and payroll, seconded by Commissioner Borden. Motion carried.

d. Review of month-end reports:

No action required and no discussion.

9. Communications:

None

10. Chief's Report:

a. Maintenance Report

- (1) Lift/Lower system for E531 Sterling Tanker/Tender and Hard Suctions-Mechanic Thomas explained it would be beneficial to have to reduce back injuries and for 1 person deployment.

b. Captain's Report- Please see attached for copies of Captains' Report.

c. See attached copy of Chief's report.



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11. Old Business:

- a. Lexipol – No update. Will start working on later in August

12. New Business:

- a. Chief Ward- Living Quarters Agreement- Commission has a document. Commissioner Reinhart motions to have Snure(lawyer) look at it, Commissioner Borden seconds. Motion carries. Commissioner Hauge asked for volunteers to meet with Chief Ward to discuss. Commissioner Borden and Commissioner Reinhart volunteered to meet with Chief Ward to finalize this agreement after it has been review by Snure Law.
- b. Local 4075 Contract- Commissioner Krouse motions to approve the contract with Local 4075, Commissioner Borden seconds the motion. Motion carries, not an unanimous vote.
 - a. EXECUTIVE SESSION- The Commissioners went into executive session per RCW 42.30.140(4) at 8:58pm for 20 minutes. Regular meeting resumed at 8:18pm. Action needed from discussion. Commissioner Borden motions to approve executive administrator description and move forward on posting the position, seconded by Commissioner Reinhart. One Commissioner abstains from vote. Motion carries.

13. Public Comment:

- L. Wright and K. Turnquist both expressed Thank you(s) for hiring Chief Ward.

14. Commissioner Comments:

- a. Commissioner Hauge – Happy with the new Chief, Thank you.
- b. Commissioner Patton- Thank you, time to move forward. Thank you to the Chief for installing a new water heater in St. 51. Thank you, Commissioner Hauge for all your work, C. Thomas, and others to have helped. Thank you to all the swear ins.
- c. Commissioner Krouse – Thank you
- d. Commissioner Borden- Thank you. Happy with the Union contract.
- e. Commissioner Reinhart – Thank you to the Chief and staff. Thank you to the volunteers. Thank you to the swear ins.

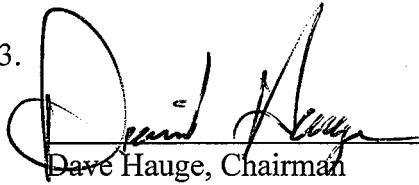


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15. Meeting of Local Board of Volunteer Firefighter's Council
Sign Retirement paper for past members.
16. Adjournment: - Motion to adjourn at 8:24pm by Commissioner Reinhart,
seconded by Commissioner Borden. Motion carried.

Approved this September 12, 2023.

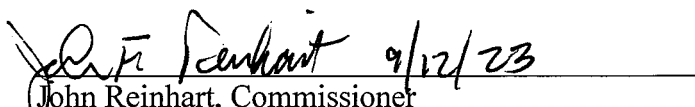


Dave Hauge, Chairman

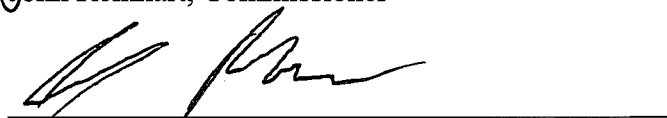
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Robert Krouse, Commissioner

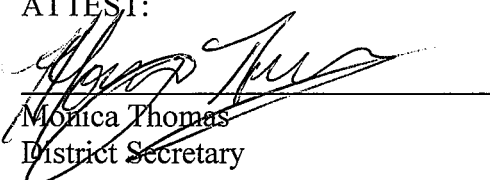
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John Reinhart, Commissioner



Jacob Borden, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Monica Thomas
District Secretary