

Okanogan County Fire District # 6

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

January 8th 2024

PRESENT: Chief Acord, Assistant Chief Stamps, Commissioner Milliken, Commissioner Brandenburg, Commissioner Lindsey, Secretary Mark Crum see attached list of attendees.

The meeting was called to order at 7:23 PM.

Discussion amongst the board as to who is to be named the Chair. New Commissioner Lindsey makes a motion to nominate Darold Brandenburg as the Chairperson, Milliken seconded, all were in favor.

Additions to agenda:

No additions

Minute's approval:

Commissioner Milliken makes a motion to approve the minutes from the December 21st Special Meeting and the December 11th Regular Meeting, Commissioner Brandenburg seconded, and all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Milliken makes a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report from December 2023 with a grand ending balance of \$809,559.27, Commissioner Brandenburg seconded, all were in favor.

Correspondence:

No correspondence.

Public Comment:

Paul Sisson asks, now Twisp is annexed, would the Fire District be eligible for Block Grants? Chief Acord reports that it was looked into previously and it wouldn't change the status of the District's eligibility.

Old Business:

n/a

New Business:

Chief Acord presents the board with a resolution to keep Commissioner Lindsey as a Firefighter.

Chief Acord presents the board with resolution 24-002, which allows Commissioner Lindsey to continue as a volunteer, but forgoes his pay as a volunteer Firefighter.

Commissioner Brandenburg motions to accept resolution 24-002, Commissioner Milliken seconded and all were in favor.

Chief Acord presents the board with resolution 24-001 which details the pay per call reimbursement covering expenses for travel, clothing, etc. The payment per call is proposed at \$20 going up from \$15.

Commissioner Milliken makes a motion to accept resolution 24-001, Commissioner Lindsey seconds the motion and all are in favor.

Chief's Report:

Review of accruals prepared by Chief Acord.

Review of the call logs.

Clarification by Chief Acord for the board about sick leave and annual leave.

Commissioner Milliken discusses the 58% training response rate for 2023. Milliken asks about the Commissioners role in helping. Commissioner Brandenburg states that in this day and age it's hard to get people to commit to training, and surprisingly it's as high as it is.

Questions amongst the board about what can be done to increase the training participation. Ideas such as rewards, swag, etc.

Commissioner Milliken talked about seeing the training participation stats on a monthly basis.

Commissioner Lindsey states that he thinks the continued support of the training officers will help with volunteer participation.

Public Comment #2:

Good of the Order:

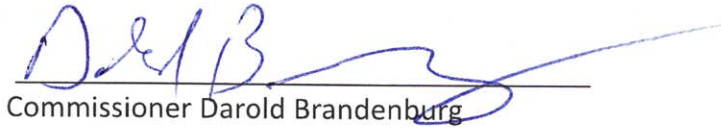
Commissioner Lindsey asks about the purpose of the Good of the Order. Chief Acord explains the purpose.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Commissioner Brandenburg makes a motion to approve the vouchers from December, Commissioner Milliken seconded, all were in favor.

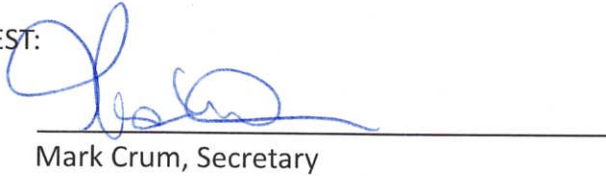
The ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

PM.



Commissioner Darold Brandenburg

ATTEST:



Mark Crum, Secretary