

# WEST BENTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY

TUESDAY March 2nd, 2021

WBRFA HEADQUARTERS STATION 310

## CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Clizbe called the March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 West Benton Regional Fire Authority regular meeting to order at 6:01pm. Due to Zoom meeting, flag salute was postponed.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** Commissioners David Moon, Richard Clizbe, Randy Fox, Shane Williams, and Dewey Holliday

**Others in attendance:** Fire Chief Seth Johnson, Captain Friend

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Estell asked about WBRFA's EMS plans in relation to union labor.

Courtney Estell asked about EMS in relation to the timeframe.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Fox moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## OLD BUSINESS

### EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

- Chief Johnson updated Board on status of Local Program Loan to include the interest rate and repayment information.
- Type 5 Apparatus final quote received. Chief Johnson fielded questions regarding the purchase and Commissioner Holiday made a motion that the Board approved the purchase of two Type 5 engines as presented. Commissioner Williams seconded motion, motion carried.
- Dozer – final quote received. Chief Johnson informed Board that a private mechanic was found to inspect machine and provide an inspection report to the state. Commissioner Williams made a motion that the Board approved the purchase of the Used CATD6KXL dozer as presented. Commissioner Holliday seconded motion, motion carried.

## EMS

### 2022 EMS Plan Discussion

- Commissioner Williams had a meeting with PMH and a PR firm. Commissioner Williams informed the Board that there was a change in direction regarding PMH, but overall there was good discussion regarding the options for funding mechanisms regarding bridging the projected gap in cost of service v. revenue.
- Nothing solid was decided on, and most of it was an information gathering meeting and very productive.
- Commissioner Clizbe received an email from the EMS director related to a concern for maintaining a level of service to the community.

## NEW BUSINESS

- No new business

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Governing Board
  - No report
- Staff Reports
  - Chief Johnson reported that Administrator Trevino will be returning next week, most likely part time. Admin items have kept staff busy.

## **ILA**

- Reserve apparatus agreement was brought forward for final review and approval.

## **COOPERATIVE PURCHASING**

- Chief Johnson presented a contract for approval from HGAC for cooperative group purchasing. HGAC contract will be used to purchase Type 5 engines. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the HGAC Interlocal Agreement and authorize the Fire Chief to execute the ILA. Commissioner Fox seconded motion, motion passed.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- Executive Session entered into under RCW 42.30.140 regarding strategy adoption for collective bargaining. Session began at 6:44pm and was projected to last for 30 minutes.
- Executive session ended and regular meeting reconvened at 7:14pm and no action taken.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Chairman Clizbe adjourned the meeting at 7:16 pm.

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RICHARD CLIZBE, CHAIRMAN

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SETH JOHNSON, FIRE CHIEF