



# Orting Valley Fire & Rescue

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## Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting August 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Minutes

### Call to Order

**Commission Chair Bellerive called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.**

### Pledge of Allegiance

**Commission Chair Bellerive led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

### Roll Call

**Commission Chair Jason Bellerive  
Commission Vice Chair Joe Palombi  
Commissioner Arlene Dannat  
Commissioner Kevin Gorder  
Commissioner Margaret Buttz  
Fire Chief Zane Gibson  
Fire Chief Dustin Morrow  
Admin Assistant Taylor Thornhill  
Admin Manager & District Secretary Kim Kemp**

### Agenda Approval

Approval of August 8, 2023 Agenda

**Commissioner Dannat moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Buttz seconded. Motion carried.**

### Consent Agenda

1. Minutes approval of July 25, 2023 Regular Meeting
2. Expense reference numbers 878-907, totaling \$115,268.16
3. Letter to Pierce County to transfer \$420,585.80 for payroll, deferred compensation and retirement directly to our account at KeyBank

**Commissioner Buttz moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**

### Citizen Considerations and Requests

**None**

### Presentations

**None**

### Chief's Report

- Chief Gibson discussed the wildfires going on in the state, but stated that the west side was low risk. He also talked about the recent deployments that OVFR has participated in.

- Chief Gibson recapped his involvement and participation in the Orting School Districts tabletop scenario regarding Mt. Rainier moving to a "yellow status". Additionally, he participated in a functional exercise, a flooding scenario, with the City of Bonney Lake & Sumner.
- The OVFR picnic is on Monday August 28<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00p.m.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Agreement between Orting Valley Fire & Rescue and Interface Systems LLC relating to the Fire Benefit Charge.  
**Commissioner Buttz moved to authorize the Fire Chief and Board Chair to sign the Agreement between OVFR and Interface Systems LLC. Commissioner Gorder seconded. Motion carried.**
2. Interlocal Agreement for Fire and Emergency Services between CPFR & OVFR, 1<sup>st</sup> read  
**Discussion and review. Chief Morrow answered and explained questions by the OVFR Board.**

Board Reports

1. Pierce County Fire Commissioners
  - a. The next meeting is August 24, 2023

**Regular Session paused at 7:05p.m.**

Executive Session

**RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)**

**To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.**

**Executive Session began at 7:06p.m. to last for 5 minutes until 7:11p.m. with no decision.**

**Regular Session resumed at 7:11p.m.**

Commissioner General Business/Discussion

- **Commissioner Dannat unable to attend the WFCM Conference in October, please cancel room.**
- **Commissioner Dannat said National Night Out was a success and was sad that OVFR was unable to attend due to call volume that evening.**

Adjournment

**Commissioner Buttz moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 7:21p.m.**

  
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