



# Orting Valley Fire & Rescue

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Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting  
May 11, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Minutes**

**Call in number 253-215-8782**  
**Meeting ID 890 7515 1510**  
**Pin 4040**

Call to Order

**Commissioner O’Harra Buttz called the meeting to order at 6:32p.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance

**Commissioner O’Harra Buttz led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Roll Call

**Commission Chair Margaret O’Harra Buttz**  
**Commission Vice Chair Tom Marino (absent)**  
**Commissioner Arlene Dannat**  
**Commissioner Kevin Gorder**  
**Commissioner Jason Bellerive**  
**Fire Chief Zane Gibson**  
**District Secretary Kim Kemp**

**Commissioner O’Harra Buttz moved to excuse Commissioner Marino’s absence.**  
**Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**

Citizen Considerations and Requests

**\*In lieu of live public comments, please submit written comments to our address:**  
**PO Box 386**  
**Orting, WA 98360**

Agenda Approval of May 11, 2021

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

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes approval of April 12, 2021 Regular Meeting
  2. Minutes approval of April 26, 2021 Special Meeting
  3. Expense reference numbers 435-467, totaling \$149,226.27
  4. Letter to Pierce County to transfer \$255,153.35 for payroll, deferred compensation and retirement directly to our account at KeyBank
  5. Letter to Pierce County to transfer \$22,161.60 to the GO Bond fund for the interest payment.
- Commissioner Bellerive moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**

## Presentations

**Lt. Branden Reid was pinned by his wife MaryAm Reid.**

**Commissioner O’Harra Buttz called for a recess at 6:37p.m. to last for 5 minutes until 6:42p.m.**

**Regular session resumed at 6:44p.m.**

## Chief’s Report

- Chief Gibson gave an update on the number of cardiac arrest survivors since OVFR began the Cardiac Arrest Initiative in 2019. Currently we are at a 25.8% survival rate, up from 9% prior to the initiative and our updated equipment.
- Chief Gibson presented the FBC results by precinct and gave an update of costs to several types of facilities.
- Chief Gibson presented the current position of the 2021 Budget and the preliminary 2022 Budget in relation to the direction the District is headed with the passing of the FBC.
  - MSO Helmers followed up with the current state of hiring paramedics and/or sending candidates to paramedic school. OVFR will continue to capitalize on students that are currently in school, soon to be graduating.

## Old Business

None

## New Business

1. FBC and the City of Orting

**Commissioner Gorder moved to assess the FBC to the City of Orting as we would any other property owner in the District. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**

2. SOG 6010 Healthy In/Healthy Out, 2<sup>nd</sup> read

**Commissioner Dannat moved to approve SOG 6010 as presented. Commissioner Bellerive seconded. Motion carried.**

3. Interlocal Proposal for Medic Unit purchase

**Commissioner Gorder moved to authorize Chief Gibson to sign the Interlocal Proposal for the Medic Unit purchase plus sales tax and licensing. Commissioner Bellerive seconded. Motion carried.**

4. Temporary hire of FF/PM

**Commissioner Bellerive moved to authorize Chief Gibson to hire up to 2 paramedics for temporary, and potentially permanent hire prior to January 2022. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**

5. Open CBA to begin negotiations

**Commissioner O’Harra Buttz moved to authorize Chief Gibson to open Local 726 Orting Firefighters Bargaining Agreement to begin negotiations. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**

6. Submit Annual State Report

**Commissioner Dannat authorized DS Kemp to submit the annual state report. Commissioner Gorder seconded. Motion carried.**

## Board Reports

1. Pierce County Fire Commissioners

- a. Commissioner’s O’Harra Buttz and Dannat gave a recap.
- b. The next meeting is May 27, 2021 via Zoom.

Executive Session

None

Commissioner General Business/Discussion

- Discussion of the FBC. OVFR will be putting together a series of "thank you" to our citizens via letters and posts on FaceBook.

Adjournment

**Commissioner Bellerive moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gorder seconded. The meeting ended at 7:23p.m.**

  
Commission Chair Margaret O'Hara Buttz

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Commission Vice-Chair Tom Marino

  
Commissioner Arlene Dannat

  
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Commissioner Jason Bellerive

  
District Secretary Kimberly Kemp