

# Orting Valley Fire & Rescue

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Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting November 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. **Minutes** 

## Call to Order

Commissioner Bellerive called the meeting to order at 6:33p.m

# Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner 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 Dustin Morrow
Admin Manager & District Secretary Kim Kemp

# Agenda Approval

Approval of November 21, 2023 Agenda

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

## Consent Agenda

- 1. Minutes approval of November 7, 2023 Regular Meeting
- 2. Expense reference numbers 1151-1157, totaling \$1,081,528.71

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

# Citizen Considerations and Requests

None

#### Presentations

DS Kemp stated no changes to the 2024 Budget since the hearing at the last meeting.

## Chief's Report

- Legislative Day for Fire Chiefs and Fire Commissioners is January 23, 2024, if Commissioners are interested in participating, contact Chief Morrow directly.
- Chief Morrow met with Deborah Grady, asked for dispatch code list, hopefully to be received in the near future.
- DS Kemp has started the process and is including legal counsel to prepare the documents for an EMS levy lid lift to be placed on the ballot in April of 2024.
- Chief Morrow expressed his gratitude in the relationship with the Board and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
- Commissioner Palombi inquired about the progress with Graham Fire and Rescue. First steps will be to
  co-locate in the same building with CPFR. It was also asked if there was any interest with EPFR. EPFR is
  focusing on the tasks promised to their citizens as a result of their bond.

# Old Business

None

## **New Business**

- 1. Resolution 2023-013 Authorization to impose the Fire Benefit Charge Commissioner Dannat moved to approve Resolution 2023-013. Commissioners Buttz and Gorder seconded. Motion carried.
- 2. Resolution 2023-014 Regular Levy Authorization Commissioner Palombi moved to approve Resolution 2023-014. Commissioner Gorder seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. Resolution 2023-015 EMS Levy Authorization Commissioner Gorder moved to approve Resolution 2023-015. Commissioner Palombi seconded. Motion carried.
- 4. Authorization for Commission Chair Bellerive to sign the Regular and EMS Levy Certifications Commissioner Buttz moved to authorize Commission Chair Bellerive to sign the Regular and EMS Levy Certifications. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.
- 5. Resolution 2023-016 Budget Adoption for 2024 Commissioner Dannat moved to approve Resolution 2023-016. Commissioner Palombi seconded. Motion carried.

## **Board Reports**

- 1. Pierce County Fire Commissioners
  - a. The banquet is December 7, 2023.

#### Executive Session

None

Commissioner General Business/Discussion

None

# <u>Adjournment</u>

Commissioner Palombi moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 6:47p.m.

Commission Chair Jason Bellerive

Commission Vice-Chair Joe Palombi

Commissioner Arlene Dannat

commissioner Kevin Gorder

Commissioner Margaret Buttz

Admin Manager & District Secretary Kim Kemp