



# Orting Valley Fire & Rescue

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Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting  
September 27, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Minutes**

**Call in number 253-215-8782**  
**Meeting ID 810 2530 8524**  
**Pin 4040**

Call to Order

**Commission Chair O'Harra Buttz called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance

**Commissioner Chair O'Harra Buttz led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Roll Call

Commission Chair Margaret O'Harra Buttz  
Commissioner Arlene Dannat  
Commissioner Kevin Gorder  
Commissioner Jason Bellerive  
Fire Chief Zane Gibson  
District Secretary Kim Kemp

Agenda Approval of September 27, 2021

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

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes approval of September 14, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Expense reference numbers 953-974, totaling \$38,455.16

**Commissioner Dannat moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioners Gorder and Bellerive seconded. Motion carried.**

Citizen Considerations and Requests

**None**

Presentations

**Chief Gibson gave a summary of the Fire Benefit Charge. The public hearing will be at the next meeting.**

## Chief's Report

- Chief Gibson gave an update on COVID exemptions, possible timelines for Federal mandates and how Federal mandates could affect mutual aid. He stated that he is working closely with our District attorney and all of the Pierce County Fire Chiefs to keep consistent with our neighboring Districts.
- Chief Gibson stated that the next lahar drill is scheduled for April 29, 2022 with the Orting, Puyallup, and Sumner-Bonney Lake School Districts. More information to follow as the date approaches.
- Chief Gibson will be assisting with the City of Puyallup weather/shelter in place drill on October 12<sup>th</sup>
- Chief Gibson will be on vacation from September 29-October 10, he will have some email and cell service.
- Chief Gibson submitted a public comment to Pierce County stating that highway improvements at Hwy 162 and Orville needed to be made prior to a new gravel pit site being approved.

## Old Business

**None**

## New Business

1. Certification of Firefighter Eligibility List 2021  
**Commissioner Dannat moved to approve the certification of the Firefighter Eligibility List 2021. Commissioner Gorder seconded. Motion carried.**
2. Resolution 2021-007 Authorization to add a meeting in October 2021  
**Commissioner Bellerive moved to approve Resolution 2021-007. Commissioner Gorder seconded. Motion carried.**
3. Termination of City of Orting Consolidation ILA  
**Commissioner Gorder moved to authorize delivery of the letter to the City of Orting. Commissioner Dannat seconded. Motion carried.**
4. Election of Vice Chair  
**Commissioner Dannat moved to nominate Commissioner Gorder to Vice Chair. Commissioner Bellerive seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Gorder accepted the nomination and position.**

## Board Reports

1. Pierce County Fire Commissioners
  - a. Commissioner Gorder gave a recap
  - b. WFCA Annual Conference is Oct 21-23, 2021

**Regular Session paused at 7:30p.m.**

## Executive Session

**RCW 42.30.140(4)(a)** Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.”

Executive Session began at 7:30p.m. to last for 10 minutes until 7:40p.m. with possible decision.

Executive Session extended at 7:40p.m. to last for 5 minutes until 7:45p.m.

Regular Session resumed at 7:45p.m.

Commissioner Bellerive moved to authorize Chief Gibson to negotiate the CBA with the Union within the terms discussed in Executive Session. Commissioner Gorder seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner General Business/Discussion

None

Adjournment

Commissioner Dannat move to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gorder seconded. The meeting ended at 7:47p.m.

  
Commission Chair Margaret O'Hara Buttz

  
Commission Vice Chair Kevin Gorder

  
Commissioner Arlene Dannat

  
Commissioner Jason Bellerive

  
District Secretary Kimberly Kemp