

**Board of Fire Commissioners  
Spokane County Fire Protection District 10  
929 South Garfield Road  
Airway Heights WA 99004  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 5, 2021

5:00pm

Commissioner Mericle called the meeting to order at 5:00pm via Zoom.

**Present**

Commissioners Ken Pegg and Gordon Hester; Chief Ken Johnson; Deputy Chief Orlando Sandoval; Deputy Chief Don Malone; Division Chief Deb Dodson; Lt Jared Murphy and Administrative Director Peggy Callahan. Commissioner Scott Mericle had an excused absence.

**Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved as mailed.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from the September 7, 2021, meeting were approved as mailed.

**Correspondence** – None

**Financial Report**

AP Warrants 13424 – 13435 totaling \$63,058.54 were approved. AP EFT/ACH totaling \$93,536.48 was approved. Payroll Warrants 808208 - 808210 totaling \$1,029.87 were approved. PR DD/EFT/ACH totaling \$155,758.42 were approved. August 2021 bank reconciliation was reviewed.

**Chief's Report**

- 15% increase in call volume YTD.
- 50% increase in structure fires (26) YTD.
- 60% increase in natural vegetation fires (59) YTD.
- We have received our official letter that WSRB will be doing their rating review.
- COVID calls are occurring on a regular basis in our community.
- Ambulance service contract
- RFP to assist with a strategic plan deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Due to the increase in COVID restrictions DNR has put an end to all out of state deployments on fires.
- We had several members who attended Women in Fire Service Conference in Spokane. We also assisted in some of the logistical need to help support the class.
- We have decided that we will not take any new applications for the department that do not have a vaccine card.
- E10-3 is waiting for a PTO shaft replacement

- E10-1 recent turbo replacement and head gasket replacement.
- E10-2 Head Gasket leak repair needed.
- Summer crew, station updates, hose testing and other projects

**Public Comment** – Commissioner Pegg opened the meeting up to public comment.

### **Old Business**

1. Roundtable Meeting Follow up – Lt Murphy reported on Training Department activities. Highlights: Training Tower has been painted – waiting 30 days for it to cure before doing any practice burns. Working on Training Tower policies for burning.

### **New Business**

1. West Plains Recruit Academy Interlocal Agreement –Chief Johnson presented an updated interlocal agreement between SCFD10, SCFD3, Airway Heights FD and Cheney FD. Discussion followed. Commissioner Hester made a motion to approve agreement as presented; seconded by Commissioner Pegg. Motion carried.

**Executive Session** – Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions – Commissioner Pegg took the board into Executive Session at 5:35pm for fifteen minutes. Participants included Commissioner Pegg, Commissioner Hester, Attorney Michelle Fossum and Chief Johnson.

5:50pm – executive session extended 10 minutes

6:00pm – Regular meeting resumed.

### **Adjournment**

The next regular meeting will be November 2, 2021, at 5pm at Station 10-1.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.

  
Scott Mericle, Commissioner

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