

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

August 1, 2023

5:00pm

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

Present

Commissioners Scott Mericle, Kevin Haughton and Gordon Hester (via phone); Chief Ken Johnson; Deputy Chief Don Malone; Deputy Chief Nick Henry; Deputy Chief Andres Steevens; and Administrative Director Peggy Callahan.

Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was approved as mailed.

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from July 5, 2023 meeting were approved as mailed.

Correspondence

Department of Retirement Compliance report was reviewed by board.

Financial Report

AP Warrants 13760 – 13779 totaling \$31,590.21 were approved. AP EFT/ACH totaling \$48,705.37 was approved. Payroll Warrants 808243 – 808244 totaling \$8,919.99 were approved. PR DD/EFT/ACH totaling \$214,142.11 were approved. Voided checks: 13769, 13770, 13771, 13772, 13773, 13778. June 2023 bank reconciliation was reviewed.

Chief's Report

- 29% ahead of last year.
- The operational tempo has been very high.
- Station 5 remodel.
- The 2021 Fire Codes adoption was delayed a few months.
- National Weather Service Predicting Significant Wildland Potential this year.
- Recruit is occurring as we speak for the fall recruit academy.
- We switched over to ESO today.
- Contract negotiations are nearing completion
- Lots of projects have been getting completed. (Sign replaced, hose rack for Sta 3 built, Security Systems at stations coming online, Mattress replaced at Sta 2 and many other positive repairs and updates.
- Several new pre-con meetings- commercial businesses. County says the projects are not slowing down but increasing.

- A10-1 has been putting a lot of hours on it during the wildland season.
- SCFD#4 now has its own ALS ambulance transport license.
- The ambulance service board requested a small group to begin collecting information for an improved Ambulance Service Agreement. Negotiations will start next year. Spokane Valley Fire may not be a part of our County Agreement next year; they may opt for their own agreement.
- Spokane County Public Works Meeting- Jacobs Rd Concerns long range plans/ Shared Water Supply for future needs/Trails road traffic solution Risk Mitigation.

Old Business

1. Roundtable Meeting Follow Up – Lt Sayers reported on activities of the maintenance department – items included apparatus updates; dot inspections; ladder inspections; hose testing
2. Strategic Plan Timeline Update – Levy lid lift results were reviewed; station 10-5 remodel was discussed with architect. Decision was made to proceed with resident quarter remodel and postpone expansion of apparatus bay.

New Business – None

Public Comment – Commissioner Mericle opened the meeting to public comment.

Adjournment

The next regular meeting will be September 12, 2023, at 1pm at Station 10-1.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 5:56pm.

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Scott Mericle

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Scott Mericle, Commissioner

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