

Mason County Fire District 18 Board of Commissioners

February 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cochran at 1700 hours. Also present were Commissioners Barb Bodin, and Mark McDougall.

Fire Personnel: Michael Sexton, Ron Satterfield, Camille Lemke, Shawn Berry, Ethan Collins

Guests: Joe Cochran, Mark Fischer

Secretary: Karen Thomas

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent/Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Commissioner Bodin. 2nd by Commissioner McDougall. Passed Unanimously.

Previous Minutes:

Hoodsport Fire & EMS

January 8, 2025: Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Bodin moved to accept, 2nd by Commissioner McDougall. Passed Unanimously.

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills and Payroll:

Total of \$89,242.31 and payroll for the month of February.

\$63,776.15 in EXPENSE

\$25,466.16 in EMS

Motion to pay the bills and payroll made by Commissioner McDougall, 2nd by Commissioner Bodin. Passed Unanimously.

Chiefs Report:

Calls for January 2025: 62

Calls for District 17 January 2025: 17

Total Transports for January 2025: 11

Currently we have 4 responders in EMT class

Boat Rescue in Hoodsport in January: Everything went well.

District 17 is working on a levy lid lift for April's ballot for the merger

We are going to work towards responding all the way to the Jefferson County line. Aiming for April 1, 2025 as a start date if possible with MACECOM.

Department of Ecology is working on collection of the AFFF Foam that is no longer able to be used. There may be a fee to dispose of it, but we are still working towards it.

We are working towards converting to Office 365.

The American Red Cross Smoke Alarm Program was advertised in our community mailer and our crews have had two requests that they have fulfilled.

General Feedback about the potential merger has been positive.

Chief Sexton is now the Chair of the Mason County EMS Council and the Secretary of the Mason County Fire Chiefs Association effective January 2025.

Correspondence:

Incident Command for Elected Officials FEMA course at DEM on February 19, 2025: Commissioner Bodin and Commissioner McDougall would like to attend.

Upcoming Snure Seminars: April 25, 2025 and May 9, 2025: Michael and Karen will attend

Old Business:

We sent out a mailer to everyone in our district to make sure information was available about the town hall meeting and the information about the potential merger.

Building Committee: We talked with the general contractor who did the West Mason building to see if he could help us get started with this process. Waiting to hear back from him about the next steps.

New Business:

We got an ambulance through DNR: it needs service and new tires but overall in good condition. We are hoping to use it for mobilization. We will need to get it stocked.

We were awarded a DNR grant and were able to increase and improve our radios for mobilizations.

We submitted applications for two regional FEMA grants, two independent FEMA grants and three DNR grants. We are unsure if they will progress with the current freeze on federal funding.

Discussion on how to charge for reimbursement for community classes and associated supplies.

Flooring Project for Station 18-2: We have received two quotes for flooring, we are waiting for some more information before moving forward.

Insurance Renewal: there are new stipulations to the coverage.

Swearing in our temporary full-time employee: Shawn Berry

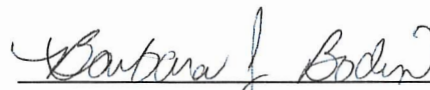
Good of the Order:

Chief Sexton: On the boat call, Lt. Rightmyer ran the call great, he quickly established good Communication and wanted to compliment him on how well he ran it.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:19 pm



Chair Cochran



Commissioner Bodin



Commissioner McDougall