

# SKAGIT COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 8

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Meeting of January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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Present:

Commissioner Jim Kennedy  
Commissioner Lance Ford  
Commissioner Jon LaCount

Secretary Stephanie Robbins  
Chief Josh Carpenter

Regular meeting called to order by Commissioner Kennedy at 6:05pm, followed by the flag salute.

Commissioner La Count motioned for Commissioner Kennedy to continue to serve as chairman for 2024; seconded by Commissioner Ford, motion carried.

Correspondence- None

Consent Agenda: Commissioner Kennedy motioned to approve the following consent agenda items, minutes from the December meeting, County report, financial report, and bank statements; seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, motion carried.

Commissioner Kennedy motioned to approve accounts payable for December 31<sup>st</sup> in the amount of \$35,478.89, January accounts payable in the amount of \$16,208.30, monthly payroll/payroll costs in the amount of \$5,839.09; seconded by Commissioner LaCount, motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

*Policy-* None

*Firefighter position-* The Districts first full-time firefighter Eli Carpenter started January second and doing a great job.

*Sedro-Woolley Agreement-* Commissioner Kennedy sent an email to the City of Sedro-Woolley stating that the district is not interested in amending the current agreement. Some discussion regarding the future for the district concerning staffing and the agreement with Sedro-Woolley. No decisions made.

*Member Appreciation Banquet-* Commissioner LaCount secured the venue for April 13<sup>th</sup> and is working on a plan for food.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

*Resolution 1-202 Regarding meeting time-* Commissioner Kennedy motioned to approve Resolution 1-2024 changing the monthly commissioners meeting to 6pm; seconded by Commissioner LaCount, motion carried.

*Replacement Levy-* Some discussion regarding the Districts current levy rate and when it is appropriate to go to the Taxpayers and ask for a replacement ley to bring our rate back up to where it was voted to at the last increase. No decisions made.

*Brush Truck-* Some discussion regarding having a truck-built verses buying a demo or previously owned truck. No decisions made.

*Surplus Vehicles-* Some discussion regarding surplus & selling Fire Engines and how to establish values. Chief Carpenter will do some research.

Chiefs Report- Was previously emailed to the board and is filed with the minutes.

Public Comment- None

Good of the order- Chief Carpenter stated that the firefighters are working on a new patch design for the district and showed an example.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

**APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of Febraury 2024.**