## **SKAGIT COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 8**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

<u>Present:</u> Commissioner Jim Kennedy Commissioner Jon LaCount Commissioner Lance Ford

Secretary Stephanie Robbins Chief Josh Carpenter

Regular meeting called to order by Commissioner Kennedy at 6:00pm, followed by the flag salute.

Correspondence- Chief Carpenter received an email from proposed battery storage facility on Minkler Rd regarding fire protection plan approval. The Chief reported to the board that he has not been provided with a fire projection plan for this project. After some discussion the commissioners suggested that the Chief respond and direct them to the County Fire Marshals office, they are handling everything related to this project.

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

Commissioner Kennedy motioned to accounts payable in the amount of \$37,134.20 monthly payroll/payroll costs in the amount of \$24,127.38 and payroll/payroll costs in the amount of \$7,242.70; seconded by Commissioner LaCount, motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

*Sedro-Woolley Agreement-* Chief Carpenter and Commissioner Kennedy met with the City of Sedro-Woolley and made a counteroffer to their proposed amount for the renewal of the agreement. The City said they will review the proposed amount and that they would like the district to make proposed edits to the current agreement and meet in a few weeks. Chief Carpenter will reach out to schedule the meeting. Some discussion regarding the future direction of the District and scheduling a long-range planning workshop in the near future.

*Personnel*- Chief Carpenter stated that Chris Chapman started as a fulltime firefighter on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Apparatus*- Chief Carpenter reported that Chief Coffel reached out and asked if the District would accept \$25,000 for the 2017 Ford F-250 Pick-up. that the district is going to surplus. Commissioner LaCount motioned to accept \$25,000 for the 2017 Ford F-250 Pick-up, Seconded by Commissioner Ford; motion carried.

Budget- Review and discussion of the 2025 proposed budget.

## **NEW BUSINESS-**

*Resolution 6-2024*- Commissioner LaCount motioned to approve Resolution 6-2024 to surplus the 2017 Ford F-250 Pick-up, Seconded by Commissioner Ford; motion carried.

*DNR Agreement*- Review and discussion of the DNR agreement required to qualify & apply for the DNR phase 2 grant for a brush truck. Commissioner Ford motioned to approve the agreement with DNR upon final review of the board, Seconded by Commissioner LaCount; motion carried.

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

Public Comment- None

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.