

STEVENS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1  
REGULAR COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
Monday, October 18th, 2021  
Location: Online using Whereby

**CALL TO ORDER**

The commissioner meeting of the Stevens County Fire Protection District #1 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Commissioner Lee. Commissioners Mark Whittaker and Claude Earl "Skip" Wells were attendance. Also, in attendance were Chief Mike Bucy, Capt. Jason Gallagher, Lt. Ken Torno, Lt. Kurt Vandervert, and Board Meeting Clerk Dee-Andra Schmidt. Commissioner Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA**

**Commissioner Wells moved that we approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda as presented.** Commissioner Whittaker seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting recessed at 7:03 p.m.  
BVFF meeting convened at 7:03 p.m.

**BVFF**

**Certificate of Eligibility for Pension for Victor Edwards,** was reviewed and approved

BVFF meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.  
Regular meeting reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

**CHIEF'S REPORT**

1. WSP report; It will be released soon, we should be receiving an email first.
2. FEMA Grant; On the phone for an hour discussing why it wasn't granted. We met two of the three criteria 100/100, the third one was call volume and it was set at a 40/100 and we came in at 38/100. Next time around they will be dropping it to a 40/40 and we should qualify.
3. Dept. of Ecology Grant; Should know by mid-November, it may be limited to \$100,000, we will not know until they award it.
4. Chipper Days; Northside was a little slower, 27 loads on the 16<sup>th</sup>.
5. DLPOA; The meeting on Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> went well. Commissioner Wells commented that Chief Bucy presented well and the conversation was continuing.
6. EMT's for Sheriff's Ambulance; During the COVID call on 10/7 Stevens County Commissioner Wes McCart said they may be using County funds for this. Chief Bucy questioned about it and Commissioner McCart said they would discuss it further.
7. Scheduling; Capt. Sharp will be off for sometime on medical, this may also have an effect on FF Roop as she will be taking care of him. This is a significant adjustment to the schedule as they both consistently pulled 200+hours a month.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### **STATION 2 UPDATE**

The buyer pulled his offer, the property is back on the market for \$350,000.00  
We will follow thru with having the roof and septic checked. We will be bringing a dumpster in to clean out the building. The grills need to be moved or go to surplus. Commissioner Wells brought up an offer from Lee Evans; the LLPOA may be willing to buy a storage container for us to use.

### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

Overall, the County numbers have dropped; Mt. Carmel Hospital is still full and dealing with staffing issues. As far as the mandate our District is doing better than most. We have a few that will be moving to tender operator, 1 that is still wavering who is VOD qualified, 2 that have decided to be vaccinated, and 2 that did not reply at all; when I reached out to them, they said they will not be getting the vaccine. Those two will be placed on administrative leave on October 19 and terminated after 30 days.

## BUSINESS

### **Discuss Career Promotional Process –**

We have 3 union reps present; the Chief has no issues with what has been presented so far. If the board agrees the union can write up an MOU to present for approval. **The board has a greed to have an MOU presented at a future meeting for review and approval.**

### **UPDATE:**

The 4 temporary positions that were being discussed have been placed on hold; the FMAG funding that was going to be utilized has had an end date placed of December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year. It may be extended and if it is we can revisit that option at that time.

## ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



Dee-Andra Schmidt  
Board Clerk

Accepted by:



Claude Earl Wells in lieu of Commissioner Lee, Board Chair  
Commissioner

Date: October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021