

MARYSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 18, 2021 – 7 pm – Virtual Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Ross called the meeting to order and led the flag salute at 7 pm.

The following were in attendance:

Board of Directors:

Steve Muller	Participant Zoom ID 376740
Tom King	Participant Zoom ID 322488
Michael Stevens	Participant Zoom ID 357590
Kamille Norton	Participant Zoom ID 354189
Rick Ross	Participant Zoom ID 335099
Tonya Christoffersen	Participant Zoom ID 366147

Staff Members:

Martin McFalls, Fire Chief
Darryl Neuhoff, Deputy Chief
Chelsie McInnis, Finance Director
Steve Edin, Human Resources Manager
Paula DeSanctis, Board Secretary

Guests:

Grant Weed, District Attorney

MFD CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve minutes of the July 21, 2021, regular meeting
- B. Approve July 2021 Financial Statements
- C. Approval of August Claims and Payroll:
 - i. MFD Expense Fund
Voucher Numbers 210802001-thru-210802076 \$ 291,781.31
 - ii. Capital Reserve Fund
Voucher Numbers 210801001-thru-210801002 \$ 3,922.76
 - iii. MFD Payroll (excluding benefits) \$ 1,308,824.55

Motion: To approve the MFD Consent Agenda
Made By: Ross
Seconded By: King
Action: PASSED unanimously

INFORMATION ITEMS

Communications: Nothing more to report.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMS Committee: Approval of August EMS account recommendations.

Month	Charity	Collections	Bankruptcy	Refunds
August	4,091.77	26,290.79	0.00	4,396.27

Motion: To approve the August ambulance account recommendations.
Made By: Ross
Seconded By: King
Action: PASSED unanimously

Planning Committee: Has not met.

Personnel Committee: Has not met.

STAFF BUSINESS

Fire Chief Report: Chief McFalls reported on the following:

- We joined many agencies in the memorial for Tulalip Police Officer Charlie Cortez.
- We have launched the Pulse Point Respond App which is designed to improve cardiac arrest survival rates through increased bystander CPR performance.
- A joint memo has been sent out regarding the Governors vaccine mandate for all healthcare providers. All full-time and part-time firefighters who engage in patient health care will be required to be fully vaccinated by October 18, 2021. The MFD Leadership team has begun the collaborative process of "bargaining the impacts" of the vaccine mandate.
- We will be hosting along with Marysville Police an Emotional Survival Seminar with Chief Robert White on November 18, 2021 at the Marysville Opera House.

Operations Report: Chief Cole was absent from the meeting. Chief McFalls shared the following:

- Thanked Chief Cole, Chief Neuhoff and Finance Director McInnis for the hard work they have done on the new incident report. Informed the Board to reach out if there is anything they would like to see changed or added.

Overtime Report:

July 2021	Dollars	Total Hours	Sick Leave Used
Full-time	\$ 130,222.40	1,934.25	2,599.50
Part time			
Month Total	\$ 130,222.40	\$ 1,934.25	\$ 2,599.50
YTD Totals	\$ 673,945.00	\$ 9,983.30	\$ 13,505.08

Human Resources/Personnel Report: Human Resources Manager Steve Edin reported the following:

- We have seven employees out on intermittent FMLA, three out on long term disability and three out on short term disability. We have one out on FMLA for the birth of a child and one out on FMLA for a surgery.
- We completed captain orientation for Rick Williamson.

- The on-boarding software is now undergoing testing and should be ready to launch in October.
- Will be attending the HR Summit tomorrow.
- Meeting with the Local tomorrow to discuss and negotiate the impacts of the mandatory vaccine.
- We have eight part-time firefighters coming on board August 31, 2021 and one full-time entry level starting September 1, 2021.
- The two lateral paramedics should be starting October 1, 2021.

Finance Report: Finance Director McInnis reported the following:

- We have completed the procurement terms under the SCBA Grant. We have requested the Federal portion of that money, \$602k, be sent back to the District.
- We have submitted for second quarter COVID damages to the FEMA Public Assistance Program in the amount of \$28k.
- SAO has scheduled a tentative start date of October 11, 2021 for our first RFA audit.
- Budget is underway with a deadline of August 20, 2021 for all division requests. We will finalize a date for the Budget Workshop soon.
- We received updated property values from the Snohomish County Assessor's Office. The RFA as a whole is at about an 11% increase in AV. They have not issued the value for new construction, refunds, or state assessed utilities.

Fire Prevention Report: Deputy Chief Maloney was absent from the meeting.

Legal Counsel Report: District Attorney Grant Weed shared he has been working with the department to better understand the Governor's proclamation 21-14 which requires state employees and health care providers including paramedics and EMT's to be vaccinated by October 18, 2021. Weed will be meeting with staff and the Local tomorrow to further discuss and bargain the impacts.

Local 3219 Union Report: Local President Dean Shelton shared the following:

- We are in uncharted territory with the mandatory vaccination as a condition of employment. We continue to work through this and bargain the impacts. We are currently at about 70% vaccinated and 30% unvaccinated which is a concern for staffing levels and our ability to respond to calls.
- Pulse Point is a great way to enhance our community and potential to save more lives.
- We are again participating in the back to school drive through supplying coats to kids. All are welcome to join.
- Our Secretary Treasurer, Joe Kendrick, serves on the State Council for the Burn Foundation. He has organized a corn hole tournament fundraiser this Friday at Farm Strong Brewery in Mount Vernon with all proceeds going to the Burn Foundation.

OLD BUSINESS

Public Safety Building – TCA: Chief Neuhoff asked for confirmation from the Board if they want to spend an additional \$30k to further explore a phased approach on the Public Safety Building or continue with new construction.

The Board directed Chief Neuhoff to have the architectural firm move forward to develop a detailed analysis of a new facility with design options and cost estimates with a target date of two months to review concepts. Boardmember Muller requested they provide siting of the property as well.



NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Bill – MFD Resolution 2021-003 SCBA Surplus Declaration

Chief Neuhoff shared we have SCBA's we are no longer in need of. Everett Community College, Skagit College, Sno Isle Skills Center, and District #27 have expressed interest in using our old SCBA's for training purposes. Chief Neuhoff asked for approval of MFD Resolution 2021-003 declaring our old SCBA's as surplus.

Motion: To approve MFD Resolution 2021-003 SCBA Surplus Declaration.
Made By: Ross
Seconded By: King
Action: PASSED unanimously

CALL ON BOARD

King – Extended his condolences to the Cortez family and Tulalip Police. Thanked crew and staff for the participation in National Night Out. Thanked President Shelton for the back to school coats program and fund raisers supporting our community.

Norton – The service for Officer Cortez was very beautiful and touching. It was a great reminder of the great risks our first responders make for us. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his family.

Muller – Asked if we have a current issue with transient arson. Chief Neuhoff share that transient are typically problematic with fires but nothing recently unusual or out of the ordinary. President Sheldon shared that we are seeing trends of arson up and down the I5 corridor, not necessarily related to transients.

Ross – Appreciates President Shelton's passion for our members and the tension he will be wading through in the coming weeks with the vaccine mandate.

Stevens – Shared that he will be absent from both September meetings.

Christoffersen – Watched the procession for Officer Cortez. It was quite moving to see how many agencies and people participated. After reading the statistics on the vaccines and the number of unvaccinated people in the hospital, Christoffersen feels as leaders of the Marysville Fire District we should set the example of getting vaccinated.

McFalls – Thanked Marysville Police for stepping up on house bill 1310. Commissioner Cook resigned as of August 4, 2020. FD12 appointed Mr. Bob Mosteller to fill the recently vacated position. Shared emails from the parks department on the need for binders for the back to school drive. Stated we may need some volunteers to help with the hospitality room at the upcoming WFCA Conference.

Cole – Nothing more to report.

Maloney – Nothing to report.

Neuhoff – We are working well with Marysville Police on the new bills that passed. MPD is for the most part running business as usual.

McInnis – Nothing more to report.

Weed – Legislature passed new bills aimed at how law officers respond. These bills affect first responders as well. Chief McFalls and Command staff are working closely with Marysville Police to make sure we are on the same page for a safe and secure responses to calls.

Sheldon – We are working collectively on house bill 1310 and the implications.



Edin – Nothing more to report.

DeSanctis – Asked Chairperson Stevens and two additional Boardmembers to stop by the office to sign the approved consent agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairperson Stevens called for a ten minute executive session at 8:21 pm to review the performance of a public employee pursuant RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to return at 8:31pm.

RECONVENE

The open public meeting reconvened at 8:31pm.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further action required, the August 18, 2021 regular meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.



Martin McFalls
District Secretary



Date approved





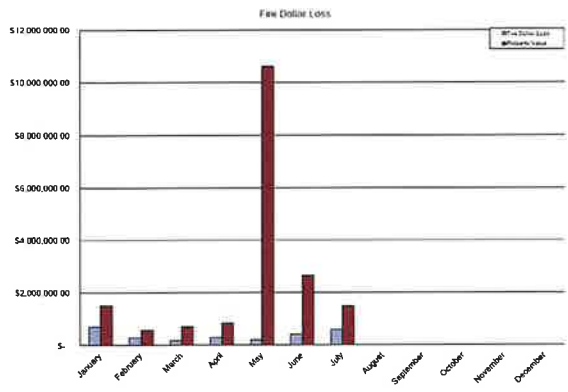
Fire Prevention Report

Prepared by: Thomas Maloney, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
August 18, 2021

- The total fire loss for 2021:
 - We had 29 fire incidents investigated in 2021. With over \$18.4 million in assessed value and over \$2.7 million in fire loss.
- We have experienced 14 structure fires this past two months. The rate of fires are at the pace of 10-years ago. The causes of these fires are very mixed but one the main cause has been smoking materials. We have provided several announcements about these and making people aware of the dry conditions.
- We have started to re-establish duty crew fire inspections. We have been observing more code violations and receiving more phoned in code violations recently as well. Having a renewed presence should reduce these complaints as well reduce the risk of fire incidents.
- We participated in National Night Out August 3 and it was a great success. However, with the increase of COVID we are limiting outreach events that do not require close interaction. We are planning virtual outreach where possible.
- We've been sharing information on our current outdoor burn ban on our website and on social media. PIO Veley conducted two media interviews on the fire danger and coordinated a third interview. (<https://www.kiro7.com/news/local/video-firefighters-brace-upcoming-weekend-heat-wave/86c446fe-682f-40a6-bcc0-3405db052c80/>) We would like to remind everyone that it is very dry out and we need to make sure that our vegetation in maintained and your beauty bark is damp.
- PIO Veley is overseeing communications efforts countywide for our PulsePoint launch. Our internal launch is August 18 and the public launch will be mid-September. This app notifies residents with CPR training to nearby cardia arrest calls where they may be able to help save a life.
- PIO Veley conducted 4 successful car seat checks in the last month (1 virtual and 3 in-person).
- PIO Veley also partnered with Pinewood Elementary to do a bike helmet safety presentation for summer school students.
- Our Facebook audience increased to 4,613 likes and 5,100 follows – up 4 percent and surpassing our goal of 5,000 followers. Our Twitter audience is also up to 2,446 followers. We have 318 followers on Instagram. We currently reach 16,225 households on Nextdoor

Public Education – Chart was removed as we are not conducting in-person events at this time.

Marysville Fire District 2021 Fire Incident Totals										
Month	Total Investigations	Accidental	Incendiary	Undetermined	Residential	Commercial	Vehicle	Other	Total Property Value	Total Fire Loss
January	3	3	0	0	2	1	0	0	\$ 1,515,693.00	\$ 710,770.00
February	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	\$ 581,362.00	\$ 305,000.00
March	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	\$ 707,312.00	\$ 183,711.00
April	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
May	6	6	0	0	3	1	0	2	\$ 10,607,434.00	\$ 218,252.00
June	8	5	0	3	8	0	0	0	\$ 2,660,434.00	\$ 414,773.00
July	6	3	1	2	5	0	0	1	\$ 1,483,679.00	\$ 589,235.00
August									\$	\$
September									\$	\$
October									\$	\$
November									\$	\$
December									\$	\$
Totals	29	22	1	6	24	2	0	3	\$ 18,404,047.00	\$ 2,721,572.00



Marysville Fire District Fire Causes Ending July 31, 2021

