

MARYSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 21, 2023 – 6 pm
Station 62 / Virtual Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER:

MFD Chairperson Ross called the meeting to order and led the flag salute at 6 pm.

The following were in attendance:

Board of Directors:

Rick Ross
Steve Muller
Kamille Norton
Michael Stevens
Tom King
Tonya Christoffersen

Staff Members:

Ned Vander Pol, Fire Chief
Jeff Cole, Assistant Chief
Chelsie McInnis, Finance Director
Steve Edin, Human Resource Director
Paula DeSanctis, Board Secretary

Guests:

Noel Treat, District Attorney

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Ross asked for public comment with none given.

MFD CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve minutes of the May 17, 2023, Regular Meeting
- B. Approve minutes of the June 7, 2023, Workshop
- C. Approve minutes of the June 7, 2023, Special Meeting
- D. Approve May 2023 Financial Statements
- E. Approval of June Claims and Payroll:
 - i. MFD Expense Fund
Voucher Numbers 230603001-thru-230603195 \$ 286,476.64
 - ii. MFD Capital Fund
Voucher numbers 230602001-thru-230602001 \$ 7,635.25
 - iii. Voucher numbers 230601001-thru-230601005 \$ 44,575.96
 - iv. MFD Payroll (excluding benefits) \$ 1,494,206.76

Motion: To approve the MFD Consent Agenda
Made By: Stevens
Seconded By: Muller
Action: PASSED unanimously



INFORMATION ITEMS

Communications: Chief Vander Pol stated there is nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMS Committee: Approval of June EMS account recommendations.

Month	Charity	Collections	Bankruptcy	Refunds
June	8,679.34	18,744.92	193.90	9,489.66

Motion: To approve the June ambulance account recommendations
Made By: Muller
Seconded By: King
Action: PASSED unanimously

Planning Committee: Nothing to report.

Personnel Committee: HRD Edin shared that they conducted ten entry-level firefighter interviews moving two forward in the background process.

Finance Committee: FD McInnis reported that the Finance Committee has not met. She will email suggested dates for a late July meeting soon.

STAFF BUSINESS

Fire Chief Report: Chief Vander Pol reported the following:

- We have not heard anything on the SAFER Grant, no awards have made as of yet.
- We submitted an application for a \$500k grant from Snohomish County for a training facility. We are looking to build a shipping container style training facility in the fenced lot at Station 61. We should hear back next month on award status.
- Attended the City General Plan update meeting.
- Shared an email from a resident in Station 65's area. They were thankful to our crews for educating them on the outdoor burning rules in the area.

Operations Report: Assistant Chief Cole reported the following:

- We saw a 6.2% decrease in calls this month over May of 2022. We are also seeing a decrease in mutual aid calls.
- We are experiencing a significant increase in structure fires. This time last year, we had 26 we are currently at 36 for the year.
- Strawberry Festival went well with only one notable incident.
- Station 61 project is moving along quickly with a few unexpected items such as a leak in the roof, sealant issues and additional flooring needed. The large walk-in freezer is now gone. Interior and exterior painting has begun.

Overtime Report:

May 2023	Dollars	Total Hours	Sick Leave Used
Full-time	\$ 214,440.82	2,859.75	2,245.17
Part time		0.00	0.00
Month Total	\$ 214,440.82	\$ 2,859.75	\$ 2,245.17
YTD Totals	\$ 1,021,593.04	\$ 11,392.58	\$ 10,986.17

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

- We had seven employees off on intermittent FMLA, one on long-term disability, and four on short-term disability and three out on FMLA for birth of children.
- We hired one new entry-level firefighter, with two entry-level and one paramedic currently in the background process.
- Later in July, we will be conducting another round of Deputy Chief testing as well as Driver Operator testing. We are currently recruiting for Captain testing to establish a new eligibility list. We are also testing for Lieutenant Inspectors, Training Captains and conducting Paramedic in house training.

Fire Prevention Report: Assistant Chief Maloney was absent from the meeting. His report was included in the board packets.

Finance Report: Finance Director McInnis Reported the following:

- 2024 budgeting has begun.
- GEMT Program update: State Fiscal year 2023 will be closing at the end of the month. We will start the cost report preparation with PCG for that period. We received our letter for the interim rate calculated for use 2024 if we so choose. Finance Director stated that we will continue with the reduced rate in hope to offset some of the anticipated refund.

Legal Counsel Report: District Attorney Noel Treat reported the following:

The County Assessor raised the concern that our EMS Levy would need a super majority instead of a simple majority vote to pass. After meeting with the County legal Counsel, they agree with our understanding of the Statues and agreed that we only need a simple majority in order for our EMS Levy to pass.

Local 3219 Union Report: Local 3219 President Dean Shelton was absent from tonight's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

SOC/CRA Update: Chief Vander Pol shared that we are continuing to supply the data requested by the consultant.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CALL ON BOARD

Muller – Would like to be proactive in our schools educating on the impacts of the increase in overdoses where Narcan is not effective.

Kamille – Thanked everyone for the project updates.

King – On behalf of the Strawberry Festival, thanked the Marysville Fire District for their participation. Thanked Chief for attending the General Planning meeting.

Ross – Appreciates the communications from Chief and Staff.

Stevens – Nothing to report.

Christoffersen – Nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairperson Ross called for a ten minute executive session at 6:20 pm to review the performance of a public employee pursuant RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to return at 6:30 pm with possible action to follow.

RECONVENE

The open public meeting reconvened at 6:30 pm.
Chairperson Ross called for a motion as discussed in executive session.

Motion: To authorize Chief to sign separation papers with Dan Schwartz
Made By: Stevens
Seconded By: Muller
Action: PASSED unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Ross called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: To adjourn the June 21, 2023 Regular Meeting
Made By: Muller
Seconded By: Stevens
Action: PASSED unanimously

With no further action required, the June 21, 2023 meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.



Ned Vander Pol, Fire Chief

7/20/2023

Date approved





Fire Prevention Report

Prepared by: Thomas Maloney, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
June 21, 2023

- The total fire loss for 2023:
We responded to 16 fire incidents that were investigated to date in 2023. The total estimated property pre-fire value is over \$14.3 million, with an estimated fire loss of over \$1.6 million.
- I apologize for missing the meeting as I am traveling back from National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) conference as NFPA paid for the travel and registration to participate in a president's meeting for state associations.
- We did have five fires this month so far three resulting in significant damage and two with minor to moderate damage. There is not common cause to these fires.
- We continue to provide items to AP Triton for the CRA/SOC. We continue to gather the response data for them which is extensive. The good news is we are down to the last of 20 required modules.
- We held a successful Open House on June 13. The event was well attended and we received positive feedback from the community.
- We invited news media to cover countywide rescue swimmer training at Lake Goodwin. Q13 aired a story and GoSkagit.com published a story here:
https://www.goskagit.com/scnews/camano_scene/rescue-swimmers-hold-training-in-stanwood-for-water-emergencies-drownings/article_d35e11ee-04b1-11ee-a7d1-df0007af6028.html
- Several media outlets covered the child well rescue. BC Hale also did an interview with Q13.
- We fitted about 30 free bike helmets on kids at Cascade Elementary as part of a family event there.
- We wrapped another successful CERT class in partnership with the City of Marysville, graduating about 20 students.
- We had a very successful EMS Week that showcased the work firefighters are doing responding to our community's medical emergencies.
- We hosted a Station Tour for about 15 developmentally disabled students from Marysville Getchell High School.
- We are currently working on an educational video and mailer for the upcoming EMS Levy on the August ballot.

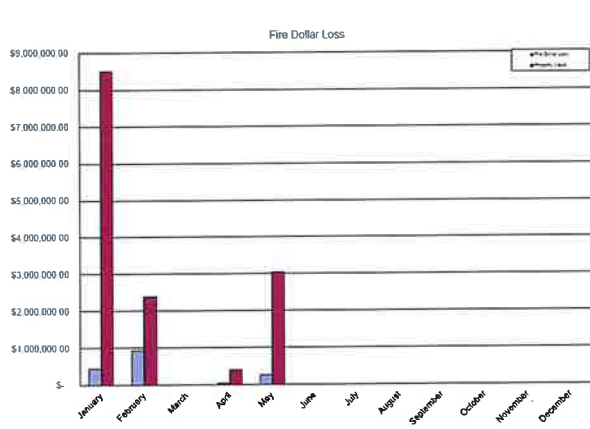


- Our Facebook audience is up to 6,346 followers. Our Twitter audience is at 3,065 followers. We have 1,005 followers on Instagram. We currently reach 19,977 households on Nextdoor.

Estimated Number of Public Education Attendees

Program	Current Month	2023
Preschool Program	0	180
Elementary Age (K-5)	0	425
Middle/High School	0	290
Station Tours	15	30
Smoke Alarm Installations	3	21
Youth Fire-Setter Interventions	0	0
Helmet Fittings	30	80
Public Events	200	1470
Car Seat Installs	4	14
Older Adult Fire/Fall Prevention	0	20
Fire Extinguisher Training	0	22

Marysville Fire District 2023 Fire Incident Totals										
Month	Total Investigations	Accidental	Incendiary	Undetermined	Residential	Commercial	Vehicle	Other	Total Property Value	Total Fire Loss
January	4	4	0	0	3	0	1	0	\$ 8,514,357.00	\$ 434,408.00
February	4	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	\$ 2,389,829.00	\$ 931,549.00
March	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
April	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	\$ 395,794.00	\$ 31,098.00
May	7	6	1	0	2	1	0	0	\$ 3,032,564.00	\$ 246,395.00
June										
July										
August										
September										
October										
November										
December										
Totals	16	15	1	0	10	1	1	0	\$ 14,332,544.00	\$ 1,643,450.00



Marysville Fire District Fire Causes Ending May 31, 2023

