

**LEWIS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO #14
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

MAY 8, 2008

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Pollman opened the meeting with the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Rogers, at 7:05 p.m. at the Main Station located at 9978 U.S. Hwy. 12, Randle WA.

PRESENT

Chairman A. H. Rogers, Commissioner Dale Woody, Commissioner John Pollman, Chief Jeff Jaques, Secretary Tonya Kelly, Don Ashe and Joe First of L.C. PUD.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

Joe First with L.C. PUD
EMS Levy

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Approval of vouchers

Motion: Commissioner Pollman made a motion to approve the April 2008 expenditures as read and discussed, per payment vouchers 05001 through 05022 for a total of \$6,035.46. Commissioner Woody seconded the motion. Motion approved and carried.

Approval of minutes

Motion: Chairman Rogers made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting April 10, 2008 as read. Commissioner Pollman seconded the motion. Motion approved and carried.

Approval of payroll

Chief Jaques reminded the board that Rhea Nelson had been hired for the part-time seasonal position and that she would continue to work until the budgeted amount was exhausted. She is currently working approximately 32 hours a week.

Motion: Chairman Rogers made motion to approve the May 2008 payroll, in the amount of \$6,653.75. Commissioner Pollman seconded the motion. Motion approved and carried.

Financial report: See Attached

Correspondence: See Attached

Received: See Attached

Discussed: Secretary Kelly asked if anyone would be attending the L.C. Fire Commissioners Association meeting scheduled for May 19, 2008. No one will be attending.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Jeff informed the Commissioners that we received the \$1,644.00 EMS Trauma grant money that he will be using to purchase a laptop computer for the Aid car. He also reminded them that the department is still in need of updating our server and possibly adding another desktop computer. He feels this is necessary because of our increase in volunteers who are using the computers to take classes necessary to keep or get their certifications.

Chief Jaques and Don Ashe went to Napavine and looked at a used tender that they are selling for \$160,000.00. We will receive \$155,000.00 in grant money to purchase a tender and the new tenders are starting at \$177,000.00. Jeff and Don didn't feel this was the best deal so they will continue to look. Jeff informed the board that he would be putting together a bid packet for a new tender as well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Operating Guidelines

Two of the department's new members have joined the Operating Guidelines Committee so they spent time bringing them up to speed and will hopefully have some new guidelines to submit by the June meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Compressed Air Foam Unit

Chief Jaques asked the board if they would approve the purchase of a 125 gallon single unit compressed air foam unit. Jeff would mount the new unit onto his truck and take the other foam unit we purchased and put it on the emergency vehicle that we are going to stage at Scott's house. District 5 has a used one advertised for \$8,500.00. However, they have had it for sale for quite some time so Jeff would like to offer them \$3,000.00 and offer an old hose reel that we have out back that they are interested in.

Motion: Chairman Rogers made a motion that Chief Jaques be given permission to work with District #5 to purchase the foam unit and to offer the hose reel as partial trade. Commissioner Pollman seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion approved and carried.

L.C. PUD

Joe First, Superintendent of L.C. PUD Cowlitz Falls Dam spoke with the Board with regards to the Departments response time. He was interested in working with the department on some joint training ventures. He suggested they work on confined spaces training and possibly some rope rescues. Jeff recommended the Packwood rope rescue team and also suggested that the employee's be required to wear a life alert system when they are working alone. Chief Jaques and Mr. First made arrangements to get together at a later date and get to work on some of the ideas mentioned.

EMS LEVY

There was a discussion on running the EMS levy again in the November 2008 general election. Everyone felt November would be the department’s best opportunity to pass the levy. The previous levy only failed by a few points so with an increased emphasis on informing the public of the need for a levy we feel we could be successful this time.

Motion: Chairman Rogers made a motion that the department run a six year EMS Levy for \$.35 cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation in the November 2008 general election. Commissioner Pollman seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried and approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The board adjourned to executive session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue.

RECONVENE MEETING:

At 8:12 p.m. Chairman Rogers again called the public meeting to order.

COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNED

With no further business, Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

A.H. Rogers, Chairman

Tonya Kelly, District Secretary

John Pollman, Commissioner

Approval Date

Dale Woody, Commissioner