

Pierce County Fire District 23

Board of Commissioners' Regular Meeting

April 10, 2023

The Board of Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District 23 met by Zoom at 7 p.m., Monday, April 10, 2023. Those present included Chairman Claudia Frey, Commissioners Joe Koehler and Caleb Young, Chief Matt Medford and District Secretary Nancy Adams. Minutes of the March meeting were approved as written.

With the secretary's report, Resolution 23-004 was approved. Signatures would come by commissioners later in the week. The secretary also gave the financial report listing cash and hand and investments. The chief read his report.

Comm. Young asked if there was an update on the chief's new vehicle. Chief Medford said hopefully, he would hear something soon. Comm. Young asked what the district would do with the old rig. Chief said the district might keep it longer for a shuttle rig, sell it or just cannibalize it and get rid of it.

Under old business, the secretary went over the meeting with Pierce County Budget and Finance. She said that the county would support the district in its choice regarding the issuance of their own warrants. She also went over the meeting with the Springbrook company that produces the BIAS software accounting program. The use of Quickbooks was discussed, but the secretary and chairman felt more comfortable with BIAS. The chief said he felt more comfortable with BIAS because it was a program that was well-known throughout the county, and if for some reason the secretary was dead, disabled or injured, he could go to other districts for help. After some discussion, the board approved the purchase of the BIAS software.

The chief told the board that he intends to have one or two electricians do a walk-through at Station 85 to do assessments for some repairs and upgrades. The board agreed. Comm. Koehler said he saw that an in-house announcement for hiring another firefighter and EMT went out. Chief Medford said he would see who responded.

The vouchers for the month were approved as presented. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.




Chairman



Date


Commissioner


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Chief's Report April 2023

General:

- April has been closer to an average month for call numbers.
- USDA Rural Development project is complete, funds released.
- Several Meetings with PCDEM regarding lahar plan and prep for upcoming exercise, almost weekly.
- Moving forward with PC Finance, meeting with Nancy and I about the process.
- Eatonville Family Agency started up again using Ashford station as distribution point.

Facilities:

- Repair to Engine door and upgrade to a couple bay doors completed in Ashford, Safer and easier on crews to operate engine and Aid car Doors. Other doors for Tender will be upgraded when the motor needs replacing.
- Remodel started for ADA access at Ashford station.
- Meeting with an electrician for Alder - ongoing.

Responses:

	27	
EMS:	19	
Fire:	6	(all D23 related to power lines down)
Other:	2	
Year to Date:	91	
Last Year Comparison:	25/117 (April 2022)	43/132 (April 2021)
Ambulance Runs:	5 D23 Transports	(7 for Apr 2022) (8 for Apr 2021)
	3 South Pierce	(4 for Apr 2022) (4 for Apr 2021)
	8 Total Transports	

Meetings Attended:

- Lewis County Chief's Meeting
- Pierce County DEM Meeting
- Pierce County Finance group
- SS911 Fire Ops Meeting

Respectfully,

Chief Medford

