

Columbia River Fire & Rescue  
Regular Meeting of the Boards of Directors  
\*Virtual via Teams Meeting Due to Weather\*  
February 13, 2025, 6:00 pm

Regular Meeting: After due and legal notice, the Regular Board meeting of the Columbia River Fire & Rescue Board of Directors was called to order by Vice President Zimbrick at 6:00 pm.

Present: Ryan Welby(6:05p), Richard Fletcher, Mark Gundersen, Paul Rice, Austin Zimbrick

Absent: None

Others: Chief Smythe, K. Lehner

Via Teams Meeting/Phone In: E. Wonderly, G. Loveall, S. Raichel, 5034385703, 5033697787

Flag Salute: N/A

Changes to Agenda: Remove Closed Executive Session and Resolution FY-24-25-02 added

Public Comment: None

Local 3215 Report: None

Volunteer Report: None

Correspondence: Letter from Nina

CRFR Consent Agenda: Included in the consent agenda are the minutes from the Regular Board meeting on January 09, 2025, the check register for January checks, budget v. actual, and the January bank statement. President Welby made a motion to approve the consent agenda, and Secretary Fletcher 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor, approved 5-0.

Chief Officers Report: Chief Smythe reported on the staffing changes, including several promotions over the coming weeks. Lt. Wonderly has been promoted to Battalion Chief, and Lt. Schrotzberger has also been promoted to Battalion Chief. Firefighters Michelle Croft, Dustin King, and Jeff Lockhart have been promoted to Lieutenants. All will be recognized at a promotional ceremony held at the March board meeting. BC Wonderly reported on the firefighter paramedics that have been hired and will be starting the end of February through April. By July academies are expected to be completed and numbers back up to 30. Chief Smythe discussed the CCOM reports included in the board packets and call volume increases.

Old Business: None

New Business: Board policy review/discussion (section A 29-32) Board members requested more time to review section A 29-32.

Resolution #FY-24-25-02 Contractual agreement with Eric Kytola, CPA. Secretary Fletcher made a motion to approve Resolution FY-24-25-02 Contractual agreement with Eric Kytola, CPA, Director Rice 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, All in Favor 5-0.

Board Comments:

Director Gundersen: Congrats to the new hires and promotions.

Director Rice: Congrats to the new hires.

Secretary Fletcher: Congrats to everyone on their promotions

President Welby: Congrats to new hires and everyone on their promotions. The future is ours for the taking.

Adjourn: 6:48 pm