**Pierce County Fire Chiefs’ Association**

**Business Meeting Minutes**

**April 3, 2014**

1. **Call to Order**

President Wright called the Pierce County Fire Chiefs’ Association meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. at Orting Valley Fire & Rescue located at 401 Washington Ave. SE, Orting, WA. The following were present:

Alan Predmore, Buckley FD James Elways, JBLM

Kenneth Rhault, JBLM Pat McElligutt, TFD

Mitch Sagers, WPFR Paul Tinsley, WPFR

Lloyd Christianson, WPFR Ed Goodlet, WPFR

Eric Watson, GHFMO Tom Sutich, GHFMO

Keith Wright, CPFR Baron Banks, CPFR

Judy Murphy, CPFR Sam Yount, SPFR

Zane Gibson, OVFR Tony Judd, GFR

Russ McCallion, EPFR Rick Kuss, EPFR

Garry Olson, PCFD #23 Denise Menge, Recorder

1. **Flag Salute**

Chief Gibson led the flag salute and welcomed everyone to Orting Valley Fire & Rescue. This is a multipurpose room for the city.

1. **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved and seconded to approve the March 6, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

Treasurer Ryan Baskett was unable to attend today’s meeting. He submitted the attached Treasurer’s Report: Beginning balance of $9,682.76, ending balance of $9,877.14, EMS total is $6,425.71. The grand total account balance is $16,302.85. It was moved and seconded to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

1. **Correspondence**

No correspondence at this time.

1. **Guest Speaker – Zane Gibson**

Vice President Mitch Sagers introduced Zane Gibson who will be speaking on LaHar preparedness and his trip to Columbia. Gave a presentation on Lessons Learned 2013 Bi-National Exchange, USA and Columbia, Mt. Rainier-Nevado del Ruiz. Columbia had a Lahar in 1985. See powerpoint presentation that was presented.

1. **Unfinished Business**

Nothing at this time.

1. **New Business**

Wayne Senter, State Chiefs Executive Director introduced himself. Distributed a handout – Draft 2013-2014 Washington Fire Chiefs Executive Director Goals. Gave a brief history of his work experience – 35 years in the Fire Service and 11 years on the Chiefs Board, etc. Working on improving communications and relationships. Help you help yourselves better. Chief Wright sits on the Board and is involved at the State level and able to keep you informed. This years’ conference is about relationships – Strength in Relationships. Changed the name a little to pre-conference for the first two (2) days. Legislative session that just finished - We didn’t pass any of the top five (5) items, some did move though. Unstaffed aerial vehicles (drones) did pass, not on the top five (5). Our interest was for wildland firefighting and search and rescue recon, damage assessment, etc. The Board just approved the goals at their last meeting on the first. Survey goes out, list top five (5) items, weighted and goes to Legislative Committee to review, then goes to Board meeting for review and then moves to Thursday morning Legislative Breakfast in Kennewick and present the top five (5) and everyone in room gets opportunity to comment on and look for validation of top five (5). Can be modified at the Thursday morning meeting or even after as things come up, etc. Thanked for the opportunity to speak today.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS - Detailed:**

1. **Audit Committee - DORMANT**
2. **Banquet/Awards Committee - DORMANT**
3. **Nominations Committee - DORMANT**
4. **UASI Committee**

No representative present.

1. **Emergency Management Committee**

Guy Allen unable to be here with Oso deployment. April 9th Finance meeting at North Kitsap reminder.

1. **Impact/Mitigation Fee Committee**

No representative present.

**DIVISION REPORTS - Detailed:**

1. **EMS**

Judy Murphy reported continue to be plagued with medication shortages – normal saline is hard to come by. Will switch to lactaded ringers with training when time comes. Continue to meet with Franciscan ACO regarding options to be a part of. Work group coming together with top five (5) patients in two classifications of high utilizers. Put together Division goals as asked and much around working collaboratively. Bid for supplies, Affordable Care Act working together on, etc. Russ McCallion to talk about a conference in November – both the Commissioners and Chiefs helped with sending people to the Pinnacle Conference – National conference that deals with EMS leadership issues, etc. Will be discussing about sending some people back again this year, it will be held in Scottsdale, AZ in July. Washington Fire Chiefs have agreed to host a conference this fall – WA State Community Paramedic Conference: The Future of Integrated Healthcare – November 4-5 at DoubleTree Hotel at Sea-Tac Airport. So far they have more than fifteen agencies to partner with to put this conference on. We are not competing, we are collaborating to connect people with the resources they need. This conference is designed to bring everyone together to come up with best practices for community healthcare. Encouraged everyone to attend.

**16 A. Metro Training**

No representative present.

**16 B. Training – TEW Training/Exercise**

Mitch Sagers reported he has not heard any updates.

**16 C. Training – TEW Equipment**

No representative present.

1. **Fire and Life Safety**

No representative present.

1. **Logistics**

Baron Banks reported CPFR just spec’d a vehicle and will have that posted on the Logistics website. Just expanded joint purchasing with District 17 for fuel – expanded with South Pierce for PPE and duty boots, etc. If interested in participating, please contact.

1. **Operations**

Ed Goodlet reported they are continuing to work on the re-write, update of Tac Ops manual. Group has been together and working for the last couple of years. Determined right away that most departments had adopted several years ago and strayed away from. Found out the current manual isn’t really being used so focusing on updating. 8 or 9 completed guidelines. Plan is to start another folder with a new manual. Current series guides are so different from what they are currently doing. As complete the, will put in the updated folder. Looking at about another 6 or 7 guidelines to complete. Hoping to be done by the end of the year.

1. **Volunteer Services**

No representative present.

1. **Good of the Order**

Mitch Sagers reported he just heard from Bob Vellias, Assessor Treasurer will be the speaker for next month’s meeting.

Ken Roden, JBLM, partnership community building brief will be holding on May 8th – distributed a handout.

1. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Submitted by:

Denise Menge

Recording Secretary

**2014 Meeting Schedule:**

January 2, 2014 General - City of Buckley

February 6, 2014 Business - Graham Fire & Rescue

March 6, 2014 General - Eatonville Community Center

April 3, 2014 Business – Orting Valley Fire & Rescue

**May 1, 2014 General – East Pierce Fire & Rescue**

June 5, 2014 Business - Key Peninsula

July 3, 2014 NO MEETING

August 7, 2014 NO MEETING

September 4, 2014 Business - Central Pierce Fire & Rescue

October 2, 2014 General - Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One

November 6, 2014 Business - West Pierce Fire & Rescue

December 4, 2014 NO MEETING – ANNUAL BANQUET