



**VALLEY REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY
FINANCE COMMITTEE
1101 D Street NE
Auburn, Washington
June 11, 2019**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lynda Osborn called the VRFA Finance Committee Regular Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members present included: Chair Lynda Osborn, Vice-Chair Nancy Backus and Member Pro-Tem Katie Garberding.

Member David Storaasli excused.

Staff members present included: Fire Chief/Administrator Brent Swearingen, Deputy Chief Dave Larberg, Deputy Chief Kevin Olson, Battalion Chief Brad Thompson, Fiscal Coordinator Angie Boyle, Clerk of the Board Louise Bartol and Joe Quinn, Legal Counsel.

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no agenda modifications.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes

1. Minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular Meeting were reviewed.

There being no discussion or questions Vice-Chair Backus moved and Member Pro-Tem Garberding seconded to approve the Minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Vouchers

1. **Claims**

Check numbers 207816 through 207939 in the amount of \$522,585.45, and electronic payments in the amount of \$236,550.00, totaling \$759,135.45, dated June 12, 2019 were reviewed.

2. Payroll

Payroll check numbers 99587 through 99589 in the amount of \$16,112.35, and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$1,649,810.39 for a grand total of \$1,665,922.74 for the period covering May 1, 2019 to May 31, 2019 were reviewed.

There being no further discussion or questions regarding Claims or Payroll, Vice-Chair Backus moved and Member Pro-Tem Garberding seconded to approve the Claims and Payroll as revised.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0

V. RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS**A. Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) Payment**

Chief Swearingen stated that recent legislation has allowed the VRFA to participate in GEMT, a federal program handled through the State which subsidizes transport fees for Medicare and Medicaid patients. Swearingen is seeking authority to exceed his spending authority to pay the administrative fee charged by the State of Washington and due by the end of June. Once payment is received by the State, they will reimburse the VRFA the administrative fee along with the funds paid through the GEMT program.

There being no further discussion or questions Vice-Chair Backus moved and Member Pro-Tem Garberding seconded to recommend to the Board of Governance to grant the Fire Chief authority to incur expenditures greater than his spending authority for the intergovernmental transfer payment due to the State of Washington Healthcare Authority to be paid in advance of the receipt of funds from third party payers for reimbursement of Ground Emergency Medical Transport expenditures that were incurred by the VRFA during calendar year 2017.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0

VI. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

There was no information/discussion.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Dated this 9th day of July, 2019.



Lynda Osborn
Chair



Louise Bartol
Clerk of the Board