

Regular Pension Meeting

February 18, 2026

PRESENT

Commissioners: Dave Lohman, Tom Perry, Kirk Damon

Secretary: Sarah Smith (absent)

Chiefs: Greg Clayton, Steve Riggs, Tom Miller

Commissioner Lohman called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Minutes approved for January 21, 2026 Pension Meeting Minutes.

Commissioners reviewed volunteer’s service roster.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Kirk Damon, Commissioner

Tom Perry, Chairman

David Lohman, Commissioner

Sarah Smith, Secretary

Regular Commissioners Meeting
January 21, 2026

PRESENT

Commissioners: Dave Lohman, Tom Perry

Chiefs: Steve Riggs, Tom Miller, Greg Clayton

Secretary: Sarah Smith

Absent: Kirk Damon

Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Motion made and approved to accept the December 17, 2025, minutes as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Samish Island PSE Solar battery noise complaint:** PSE brought out a mechanic to work on the HVAC, returning next week for further work. PSE will test after. PSE remains in contact with neighbor. Neighbor has placed signs on property promoting their complaints. Commissioners noted the noise ordinance issue remains between PSE and the County
2. **Proposal of new Rosenbauer engine for Allen Station:** Commissioner Perry mentioned he'd asked other colleagues, no complaints about Rosenbauer as a manufacturer. Lohman mentioned he always worries about the technology in new rigs. Lohman discusses the low volunteer response from Allen, hard to justify expense of new engine. Discussion about rapid response of District 6 to southern section of District 5, about complexities of mutual aid. Perry discussed concern about argument re two trucks in station when 521 won't benefit our WSRB score. Chief Riggs shared his disappointment that the district has not acted to secure funding to stock the stations to standard. Further discussion of district's engine's ratings, of maintaining aging rigs, of being able to provide all equipment to response. Discussion of resale value of old rigs. Discussion of returning to Long Range Planning goals, of rebuilding those goals. Commissioners decide to hold special meeting next Wednesday when Commissioner Damon is present to make more fully informed decision.

3. Skagit911 Interlocal agreement. Commissioners reviewed and signed the interlocal agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Secretary/Treasurer's Report:** There was a beginning cash balance of \$525,058.15. We had a collective cash increase of \$3,028.87, and a collective cash decrease of \$35,576.54 leaving a balance of \$492,510.48. The reserve fund remains the same at \$220,000.

CORRESPONDENCE

Sound Fuel Solutions solicitation of services
Skagit Fire District 3

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Miller: The two volunteers set to attend FF1 training decided not to attend. Air compressor broke again. General complaints about entering into NERIS.

Chief Riggs: Adrian Mintz has been working so hard as resource in the NERIS transition, even for Burlington Fire. Coming to Allen to train crew there. Chief will be outfitting countertop at station for desktop computer to do reports after calls. Carpets cleaned. 1 person attending FF1. Training: classroom EVIP, SCBA, wintertime classroom.

Interim Chief Clayton: Transitioning from the retirement of Chief Leander. Report of nature of calls in the last month. Mintz submitted the HELMS update for the district. He also assisted with the WEMSYS attestation report. WEMSYS demographic report completed. Interesting: based off ESO reports, of which our district seems to be underreporting, or under-completing the reports. Consistent with last year's reporting numbers. Training has been compliance training. Similar to Chief Miller, some issues with NERIS interface. Mintz submitted a ticket to modify one step they encountered. Discussion of how to enter volunteer names from other stations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

AUDIT OF VOUCHERS

Proceeded with the audit of the vouchers and paying bills. Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve the utility voucher dated January 7, 2025, in the amount of \$408.04 and submitted on January 8. Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve all expenses on the voucher dated January 21, 2026, in the amount of \$24,805.24.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Tom Perry, Chairman

Kirk Damon, Commissioner

David Lohman, Commissioner

Sarah Smith, Secretary