

Regular Commissioners Meeting
August 20, 2025

PRESENT

Commissioners: Dave Lohman, Kirk Damon, Tom Perry

Chiefs: Steve Riggs, John Leander, Tom Miller

Secretary: Sarah Smith

Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Motion made and approved to accept the July 16, 2025, minutes as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Secretary/Treasurer's Report:** There was a beginning cash balance of \$427,735.73. We had a collective cash increase of \$2,295.84, and a collective cash decrease of \$6,366.27, leaving a balance of \$423,665.30. The reserve fund remains the same at \$220,000.
2. **Anticipating NFIRS final date 1/1/2026** Sarah will keep eye on development of NERIS, waiting for further instructions from WSP, will work further in the autumn.
3. **Long range plan-** Commissioner Lohman provided the previous Long Range Plan for review. Chiefs intend to meet in the next month to work on new draft.
4. **Unified Accountability Procedures** - updated from Skagit Fire Chiefs, shared with chiefs and commissioners.

CORRESPONDENCE

WSP NERIS update email – see New Business, item 2.

CHIEFS REPORTS

Chief Miller: Ongoing training. Chief has passed issue of neighbor complaining re PSE solar array noise. PSE initiating sound studies around installation. Working with PSE to organize a BESS training soon.

Chief Riggs: Re all district: SCBA bottles that didn't test last year need to be tested in October. Took all saws for maintenance. Still trying to outfit tall new volunteer. LN Curtis coming Monday for fits. Considering renting gear in the meantime. Company from Las Vegas used by Burlington Fire, easy to

work with. Had a couple new folks visit last Monday. Chief intends to send new folks to academy in January. Will bring price/start dates soon. Training: been trying other engines; volunteers liked bigger cabs.

Chief Leander: Past month training included rope rescue including Maestro and knots, ongoing drafting of water sources on Chuckanut Ridge drive; most locations adequate sources, advised other locations of relevant improvements. Finished with EMS topics.

District pump tests scheduled for this week, including all three stations, all engines. Employing new consortium technician. Technician has completed inspections on Edison and Allen engines. Discussion concluding not to inspect engine 532. Regarding tire inspection, technician said Allen and Edison tires need to be changed. Samish not yet inspected. Discussion of tire prices and replacements from local suppliers.

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 August 6, 2025, in the amount of \$1,373.53 and submitted on August 7, 2025. Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve all expenses on the voucher dated August 20, 2025 in the amount of \$7,723.03.

Meeting was adjourned at pm.

Tom Perry, Chairman

Kirk Damon, Commissioner

David Lohman, Commissioner

Sarah Smith, Secretary