PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3 WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 5:30 MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 19 2025

Chair Dalton called the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 5:30. A quorum was present with Commissioner Casebolt excused. Also, in attendance were, A/C McGrady, A/C Adams, D/C Boltz, D/C McCurdy, and Director Wick,

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Dalton called for a motion for approval of agenda. Commissioner Dellinger motioned. Commissioner Durr seconded. All approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes of July 15, 2025. Warrants #75339 through #75389 totaling \$156,195.85. Warrants #75410 through #75455 totaling \$509,136.35. Warrant #75464 through #75501 totaling \$139,927.73. Warrants #75390 through #75391 totaling \$18,301.19. Warrants #75392 through #75409 totaling \$27,190.07. Warrants #75502 through #75573 totaling \$175,559.73. Finance report ending June 30, 2025. July Alarm Summary. July payroll \$3,963,278.91.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

CITIZEN COMMENTS

STAFF REPORT

- Recent Incidents A/C McGrady briefed the Board:
 - Fair number of grass and brush fires, 60 brush fires total. Two structure fires, one on 83rd. Great Stop. August 12th on Portland Ave. Stubborn fire with no injuries.
- Regional Fire Authority D/C Boltz briefed the Board on the letter that was in the Board packet. August 12th was a round table discussion regarding the Regional Fire Authority. Meeting talked about the potential of an RFA and soliciting an invite to this RFA. First study with be a feasible study, second phase is creating a plan which takes 6-12 months. Stage 3 is the creation of the bond which takes 3-6 months. TFD is recommending the consultant to look at each department. No obligation to go much further. Feels there is value to learn about this decision to become part of the RFA. Looking for an approval to move forward with the feasibility study by September 12th. Commissioner Clancy asked if we could step away after the feasibility study. Director Boltz stated "Yes", we can step away after the feasibility study. Commissioner Dellinger asked if you were invited to this meeting would you be invited to the RFA. D/C Boltz briefed the Board on the participants. No cost to WPFR to participate. After September 12th we will find out who will be involved in the feasibility study, since there is no cost to, us is a good idea. Once study is finalized a decision will be made if WPFR will
- GEMT Update Director Wick briefed the Board on the updates to GEMT. Briefed the Board on the GEMT update. Systems design brought in a consultant on GEMT and the impacts of the Big Beautiful Bill. GEMT is not impacted by the new bill. Director Wick briefed the Board on reasoning as to why WPFR was excluded. Billing and how we recoup money there is no impact. Any new updates Director Wick will keep us posted.
- Chiefs Report D/C McCurdy briefed the Board:
 - Summerfest

further their participation.

Desserts in the Driveway
 East Pierce vs West Pierce fundraiser raised over \$300.00

- August 5th was National Night out
- Eat and Greet for all the crews and divisions was August 6th.
- Kiwanis Golf Tourney
- Clover Park Golf
- o Ready to Learn event. Over 150 Helmets
- o Memorial service for Bill Mack, East Pierce Fire & Rescue. Sent engine to cover station
- Partners for Parks bingo
- Mod Pizza Event
- Upcoming
 - Desserts in the driveway take place at multiple sights, most of which are public places.
 - OUP Birthday Bash UP is 30 years old. Event is at Cirque Park

ACTION ITEMS

- Request for Action Move to single Board of Commissioner meeting per month Briefed the Board on the reasoning for a single Board of Commissioners meeting per month.
 Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve the Single Board of Commissioners meeting per month. Commissioner Clancy motioned. Commissioner Dellinger seconded. All approved unanimously
- Request for Action Adopt updates to Board Policy 2030 Modify the Fire Chief evaluation process. Briefed the Board on the evaluation process with having one meeting a month and how it would condense the Fire Chief Evaluation for the single meeting month.
- Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve the updates to Board Policy 2030 Modify the Fire Chief evaluation process. Commissioner Dellinger motioned. Commissioner Clancy seconded. All approved unanimously
- Request for Action Establish Fire Chief Recruitment Committee D/C McCurdy briefed the Board on selecting two Commissioners to work with Chief Sharp to manage the process. Chair Dalton appointed Commissioner Clancy and Commissioner Dellinger to this Committee.
 Chair Dalton called for a motion to establish Fire Chief Recruitment Committee.
 Commissioner Clancy motioned. Commissioner Durr seconded. All approved unanimously
- Resolution #081925-007 Resolution amending the District Description (legal boundary).
 Director Wick briefed the Board on the work that A/C Dobbs and Director Wick have found with the district boundaries. This resolution fixes the boundary and provides the legal description.
 This new legal description will be filed with the county and will help with clarification of the boundaries. In 2026 will help with the Fire Benefit process.
 Chair Dalton called for a motion to approve Resolution #081925-007. Commissioner Clancy motioned. Commissioner Durr seconded. All approved unanimously

BOARD COMMENTS

- Commissioner Dellinger Exciting times coming for the department. Appreciates the opportunity to be on the committee. Glad to see us engage with the community. Thank you for attending Chief Bill Mack's service and sending an engine.
- Commissioner Durr Always impresses him about all the community events that staff is involved with. 60 small brush fires that did not get out of control is impressive.
- Commissioner Clancy Dittoed the comments from everyone.
- Chair Dalton –. Thanked everyone for all their hard work in the community. Nice to see WPFR so involved. Amazing accomplishments. Lots of hard work moving forward.

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to bring to the Board, Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting at 6:00 PM

Next meeting: September 02, 2025 @ 5:30 Station 31.

Tammy Lamb, District Clerk

Bart Dalton, Board Chair

Koree Wick, District Secretary