

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF
EAST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE**

August 18, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of East Pierce Fire & Rescue was held on August 18, 2026, in-person at Headquarters (8601 Main St E, Bonney Lake) and via conference/video call through Zoom. Notice and link to join meeting was posted for public access. Chair Napier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present by roll call were Commissioners Ed Egan, Kevin Garling, Pat McElligott, Randy Kroum, and Pete Connell. Fire Chief Jon Parkinson, Deputy Chief Kevin Stabenfeldt, Deputy Chief Matt Gilbert, and District Secretary Corina Byerley were also present.

Commissioners Excused: Commissioner Evans
Commissioners Unexcused: None

AUDIENCE: Project Manager Phil Herrera, Taylor Mack, and Taylor Hobi.

HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

District Secretary Byerley requested to amend the agenda as follows: Agenda Item 4c (Consent Agenda) add voucher 260803001 in the amount of \$217,919.34. Commissioner Kroum moved to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garling and carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Connell moved to approve the consent agenda (minutes from the July 21st Regular meeting; treasurer's report; current expense vouchers 260802001 - 250802098 in the amount of \$832,071.05; voucher 260803001 in the amount of \$217,919.34; payroll vouchers 260801001 – 250801008 in the amount of \$31,098.56; electronic payroll in the amount of \$4,138,154.38; post meeting payroll changes in the amount of (\$307.93) and the July financial grid with a post meeting payroll change in the amount of \$1,493.02 and July electronic payroll in the amount of \$4,705,183.83). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garling and carried.

GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATION: None

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Local 3520: President Taylor Hobi reported that the Local's Executive Board traveled to Texas for the IAFF Convention. She also reported that the local is gearing up for winter events including Coats for Kids, the Santa Run, and pancake feed.

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Project Manager: Project Manager Phil Herrera gave an update on the Capital Facilities Plan.

Station 111: Fuel island engineering continues.

Station 112: A problem with the landscaper caused a delay of about two weeks as the landscaper was let go and replaced with a new company. Inspector won't hold up occupation of the building for landscaping. Final inspection will take place in the next week. District should be able to occupy the new station at the end of August.

Station 114: Final acceptance completed, one more area of touch up paint and the project will be complete.

Station 117: Fuel system is operational.

Station 118: Addressing an issue with inspection of the fuel station. Fuel station should be operational next week.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Monthly Chiefs Report: Reviewed the Chief's monthly report with the Board. Included in agenda packet. Chief Parkinson's report included: The accountability audit has been posted to the SAOs website; Nick of Time Foundation placed two AEDs at Allen Yorke park in honor of Deputy Chief Mack; National Night Out was a success with personnel attending many events; an increase in wildland activity and dry weather caused a Stage 2 burn ban; the Commissioner meet and greet (ice cream social) will be held before the September regular board meeting; the Station 112 grand opening will be held in October; and the Finance committee will meet in September for budget review.

Monthly Deputy Chiefs Reports: Included in agenda packet. Deputy Chief Stabenfeldt reported: Logistics activity included first round review of Station 124 plans (resubmit soon), the training center plans will be ready to submit after addressing water drainage, E112 push in ceremony (thanks to logistics crew), Station 117 fuel station is in use, and thanks to AC Westland for his work getting the district approved to use R99 fuel; Health and Safety Division organized district attendance at National Night Out events; and Communications continues social media growth and interaction. DC Gilbert reported: EMS Specialist position was filled by PM Craig Ryan; the Training Division provided training on electric vehicles; and the district currently has five personnel deployed to wildfires.

Monthly Injury Report: Update provided in agenda packet.

COMMISSIONER CONFERENCE/COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

RESOLUTIONS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

COMMISSIONER TRAINING/EVENT REQUESTS:

WFCA Annual Conference (Spokane October 21-24): District Secretary Byerley provided the dates and location of the WFCA Annual Conference. Commissioners Garling and McElligott would like to attend.

Snure Seminar (Spokane October 21): District Secretary Byerly provided information regarding the Snure Seminar. Commissioners Napier, Garling, and McElligott would like to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chair Napier called for an executive session per RCW 42.30.110(1)(f) to receive and evaluate complaints or charges brought against a public officer or employee and per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee and per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. at 7:26 p.m. for 34 minutes.

The executive session was extended at 8:00 p.m. for 15 minutes.

The executive session was extended at 8:15 p.m. for 10 minutes.

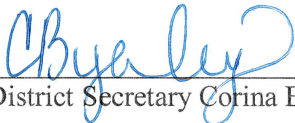
Meeting reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

Upon reconvening the following action was taken: No action taken, information only.

COMMISSIONER ACTION/DISCUSSION: None

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



District Secretary Corina Byerley



Chairman Jon Napier/Vice-Chair Ed Egan