SKAGIT COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 8

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Meeting of September 10th, 2026

Present:

Commissioner Jim Kennedy	Secretary Stephanie Robbins
Commissioner Lance Ford	Chief Josh Carpenter
Commissioner Jon LaCount	

Commissioner Kennedy called meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Correspondence- Letter from Skagit County Auditor concerning election billing, Security Solutions letter regarding rate increases.

Consent Agenda: Commissioner Kennedy motioned to approve the following consent agenda items, minutes from June regular and special meeting, County report, financial report, and bank statements; seconded by Commissioner LaCount, motion carried.

Commissioner Kennedy motioned to approve accounts payable in the amount of $124,464.24, and monthly payroll/payroll costs in the amount of $28,893.43; seconded by Commissioner Ford, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Land/SEPA Update- SEPA has been submitted and paid. The district deferred the landscape plan to the permitting process.

Liz Loomis/ Levy- The levy passed and was certified on August 18th. Commissioner Ford is working on a thankyou video for social media.

Employee compensation- Overtime policy and budget for daytime crew on going.

New position- Assistant Chief/Training Officer/Battalion Chief, job description and compensation process is ongoing.

Apparatus- The new engine has been delivered is getting ready to go into service.

Washington State Auditor's office 2023-2025 Accountability Audit- Is complete with a clean Audit. One exit item concerning a written leave policy. Stephanie & Chief Carpenter are working on drafting this policy.

Town of Hamilton Annexation- Some discussion regarding the Town of Hamilton Annexation. The district is working on a pre-annexation agreement. Stephanie will reach out to the Elections department concerning ballot fees for annexation.

Lyman station agreement- Commissioner Kennedy will reach out to the town of Lyman and see if they have any use for the building if we do not continue to rent.

NEW BUSINESS-
None

Chiefs Report- Present by Chief Carpenter.

Public Comment- None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 8th day of October 2026.