

CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2026

Co-Chair Homan called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at the Fire District Administrative & Operations Center – 1015 39th Ave SE Suite #120 Puyallup, WA 98374 at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Commissioners Dannat, Estes, Gorder, Holm, McAfee, Mitchell, Palombi, Samuelsen, and Stringfellow, Chief Morrow, Director Roberts, and CoS McInnis, Recorder. Commissioner Caverly arrived at 6:05pm.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call – Director Roberts
- B. Excused Absences: Co-Chair Barstow

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Co-Chair Homan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner McAfee seconded to approve the agenda, as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (FOR ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY ON THE AGENDA)

None.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Board Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026
- B. Board Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2026
- C. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 63664 to 63721 totaling:	\$	593,292.15
GRAND TOTAL	\$	593,292.15

Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Samuelsen seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Resolution 26-06 Establishing Surplus Real Property and Authorizing the Sale DC Berdan presented Resolution 26-06 for second reading. A point of order was raised noting that the public hearing had not been included on the agenda, though it had been properly advertised.

Chair Homan opened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. Hearing no public comment, the Chair closed the public hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Commissioner McAfee moved, and Commissioner Dannat seconded to adopt Resolution 26-06 authorizing the declaration of surplus and sale of the Station Zero property located at 22821 Meridian East, Graham, WA 98338. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. BOD 3.54 Memberships in Professional and Civic/Service Organizations

Chief Morrow presented Board Policy 3.54 for first reading.

Discussion included limiting memberships, distributing participation across organizations, clarification of eligible organizations, and the process for requesting membership. Revisions were requested to Sections C and D to formalize a consistent request process and address substitutes when a member is unable to attend a pre-registered event.

Chief Morrow will revise the policy and bring forward for second reading.

8. CONSIDERATIONS & REQUESTS

A. 2026 Guild Salary Schedule

Director Washo presented the updated and negotiated 2026 Salary Schedule for Guild Personnel. Commissioner Samuelsen moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to approve the 2026 Salary Schedule for the Guild. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. 2026 Non-Represented Salary Schedule

Director Washo presented the Non-Represented Salary Schedule. Commissioner Holm moved and Commissioner Gorder seconded to approve the 2026 Salary Schedule for Non-Represented Personnel. **MOTION CARRIED.**

C. 2026 Executive Leadership Salary Schedule

Director Washo presented the 2026 Salary Schedule for Executive Leadership. Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner McAfee seconded to approve the 2026 Salary Schedule for Executive Leadership. **MOTION CARRIED.**

D. Fire Benefit Charge Appeal Request

Director Robacker presented an appeal request to reclassify the parcel as residential and reduce the 2026 Fire Benefit Charge from \$2,164.52 to \$616.08.

Discussion included property classification, treatment of grange facilities, and consistency with existing code. The Board requested verification of parcel details, including classification, location, inspection history, licensing requirements, and comparable rates.

The appeal was tabled pending additional information. Director Robacker will return with findings.

E. Upcoming Events Schedule

Director Roberts presented the upcoming events schedule for information only.

By consensus, the Board designated the PC Fire Commissioners Annual Picnic and the Promotional Ceremony as compensable events.

9. STAFF, FIRE CHIEF, and LOCAL REPORTS

- A. Finance Directorate/Director Robacker: Director Robacker reviewed the Finance Directorate Report.

Co-Chair Homan inquired about directing the Finance Director to prepare an additional report not identified at the April 8 workshop. Following discussion, the Board did not direct staff to proceed.

- B. Business Services Directorate/DC Berdan: DC Berdan reviewed the Business Services Directorate Report.

- C. Executive Services Directorate/Director Roberts: Director Roberts reviewed the Executive Services Directorate Report.

- D. Emergency Management Directorate/Chief Morrow: Chief Morrow reviewed the Emergency Management Directorate Report.

- E. Fire Chief's Report/Chief Morrow: Chief Morrow reviewed the Fire Chief's Report.

- F. Local 726 Report: VP Thompson reported that two members completed the 7th District IAFF Leadership Series. Updates included participation in upcoming conferences, including the *Strive for Excellence Conference* and a Washington State education seminar, as well as the New Members Conference scheduled for May 19–20.

Additional updates included recent improvements to union boards at stations, and a retiree BBQ scheduled for June 12th

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Employee Recognition Letters

Co-Chair Homan expressed appreciation for the recognition of personnel.

11. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Gorder – Commissioner Gorder thanked staff for their continued dedication and service to the district.

Commissioner Palombi – Commissioner Palombi noted his in-person absence and stated he will attend the next meeting remotely as well.

Commissioner Mitchell – Commissioner Mitchell expressed appreciation for the progress being made and noted ongoing efforts to improve effectiveness for the community.

Commissioner McAfee – Commissioner McAfee reported attending the Spanaway Parkland Rotary fundraiser and a PC Fire Commissioners meeting, noting strong representation and continued collaboration.

Commissioner Samuelsen – Commissioner Samuelsen recognized Adam Jackson for presenting the Struggle Well program during the PC Fire Commissioners Meeting, noting it was well received. He also raised concern regarding single-exit access in multi-family dwellings and offered his assistance if needed.

Commissioner Holm – Commissioner Holm thanked Commissioner Samuelsen for speaker coordination at PC Fire Commissioners meetings and Commissioners McAfee and Samuelsen for attending the Rotary auction. He noted the value of networking and long-term benefits. He also commented on improvements at the Spring Fair station and expressed pride in the department’s public engagement.

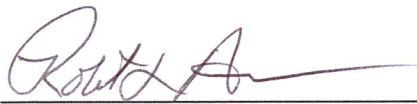
Commissioner Caverly – Commissioner Caverly apologized for his late arrival and thanked crews for their response on Spanaway Loop.

Commissioner Samuelsen – Commissioner Samuelsen provided an additional update on the “Impact Teen Drivers” program for high school seniors, noting appreciation for continuing the program internally.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner McAfee moved, and Commissioner Caverly seconded to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

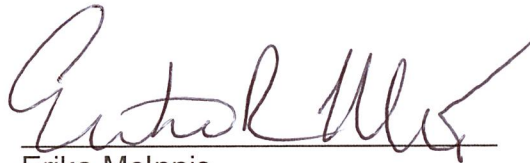
The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Robert L. Homan
Co-Chair of the Board



Sandi Roberts
District Secretary



Erika McInnis
Recorder