

REGULAR JOINT MEETING MINUTES  
CPFR, GFR, AND OVFR JOINT BOARD MEETING  
April 14, 2025

Chair Bellerive called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at the Fire District Administrative & Operations Center – 1015 39<sup>th</sup> Ave SE Suite #120, Puyallup, WA 98374, at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Chair Holm, Commissioner Mitchell, Ex-Officio Door, Chair Homan, Vice Chair Barstow, Commissioners Estes, McAfee, and Samuelsen, Chair Bellerive, Vice Chair Palombi, Commissioners, Dannat, Buttz, and Gorder, Chief Morrow, Director Robacker, Director Roberts, Deputy Director Kemp, and SS McInnis, Recorder.

1. ROLL CALL – DISTRICT SECRETARY

A. Excused Absences: Vice Chair Stringfellow, Commissioner Willis

B. Vacancy: Commissioner Position 3

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Bellerive led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Vice Chair Barstow seconded to approve the agenda, as amended, removing items 5, 6, and 15 due to the Central Pierce Fire & Rescue Board having no quorum. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

Walt Kuehlthau, a resident at 707 39<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.E., Puyallup, WA 98374, made public comment.

5. CONSENT AGENDA: ORTING VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE

A. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 13475 to 13476 totaling:	\$	149,694.58
Expense to Payroll Transfer Request totaling:		761.48
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>150,456.06</b>

Commissioner Buttz moved and Commissioner Dannat seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for Orting Valley Fire & Rescue. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. CONSENT AGENDA: GRAHAM FIRE & RESECUE (Single Motion)

A. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 36494 to 36495 totaling:	\$	3,964.59
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 36496 to 36501 totaling:	\$	46,512.75
Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 36502 to 36505	\$	1,606.76
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 100987 to 100988 totaling:	\$	35,789.30
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>87,873.40</b>

Vice Chair Barstow moved and Commissioner McAfee seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for Graham Fire & Rescue. **MOTION CARRIED.**

## 7. STANDING COMMITTEES

### A. Legislative Committee

Commissioner Samuelsen provided an update on the legislative session.

## 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

## 10. CONSIDERATIONS & REQUESTS

### A. Board Succession Planning

- **Presented to:** *The Joint Board*

Chief Morrow invited Director Roberts to provide answers for Commissioner questions regarding the succession of the Joint Board members, should a new entity be formed following the upcoming vote.

## 11. STAFF, LOCAL, FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION and FIRE CHIEF REPORTS

### A. Finance Directorate/Director Robacker:

Director Robacker reviewed the Finance Directorate Report.

### B. Emergency Services Directorate/Deputy Chief VanKeulen:

DC VanKeulen reviewed the Emergency Services Directorate Report.

### C. Performance Directorate/Deputy Chief Jackson:

DC Jackson reviewed the Performance Directorate Report.

### D. Human Resources Directorate/HR Director Washo:

Director Washo reviewed the Human Resources Directorate Report.

### E. Fire Chief's Report/Chief Morrow:

Chief Morrow reviewed the Fire Chief's Report.

### F. Local 726 Report:

President James provided an update of recent and upcoming union activities.

## 12. CORRESPONDENCE

### A. – N. Employee Recognition Letters

Chair Bellerive expressed appreciation for the recognition letters from staff, noting that they are a positive contribution to the organization's culture.



**13. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Chair Homan-** Chair Homan commended the union for its recent activities.

**Vice Chair Barstow-** Vice Chair Barstow expressed appreciation.

**Commissioner McAfee-** Commissioner McAfee thanked everyone for their work. She also noted that this week is National Telecommunicator Week.

**Commissioner Estes-** Commissioner Estes reported speaking with community members who had not yet received their ballots. He extended thanks to all involved, emphasizing that “it takes a village.”

**Commissioner Samuelsen-** Commissioner Samuelsen requested to be excused from the next meeting. He expressed gratitude for the recognition letters, noting the difficulty of some emergency calls and praising the exceptional work of staff.

**Commissioner Mitchell-** Commissioner Mitchell extended compliments to guests from the Wesley Bradley Retirement Community. He reaffirmed the Board’s commitment to serve those who elected them.

**Commissioner Buttz-** Commissioner Buttz shared personal appreciation for the services provided by the organization and expressed pride in the team. She thanked the staff for their continued efforts.

**Commissioner Dannat-** Commissioner Dannat expressed gratitude to staff and the Local.

**Ex-Officio Door-** Ex-Officio Door provided an update regarding the stormwater comprehensive plan and the Good Samaritan plan, with further planning anticipated in May and June.

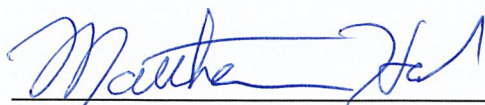
**Vice Chair Palombi-** Vice Chair Palombi stated that he is honored to work alongside the Boards.

**Chair Bellerive-** Chair Bellerive expressed enthusiasm regarding the upcoming merger vote.

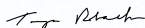
**14. ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 P.M.



Matthew Holm  
Chair of the Board, CPFR



Tanya Robacker  
District Secretary, CPFR

*Robert Homan*

Robert Homan (Apr 30, 2025 05:49 PDT)

Robert L. Homan  
Chair of the Board, GFR

Sandi Roberts  
District Secretary, GFR

Jason Bellerive  
Chair of the Board, OVFR

Kim Kemp  
District Secretary, OVFR

Erika McInnis  
Recorder









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