

**REGULAR JOINT MEETING MINUTES
CPFR, GFR, AND OVFR JOINT BOARD MEETING
June 23, 2025**

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: Vice Chair Stringfellow, Commissioners Willis, Mitchell, and Berdan, Chair Homan, Vice Chair Barstow, Commissioners McAfee, Estes, and Samuelsen, Chair Bellerive, Vice Chair Palombi, Commissioners Buttz, Dannat, and Gorder, Chief Morrow, Director Robacker, Director Roberts, Deputy Director Kemp, and SS McInnis, Recorder.

1. ROLL CALL – DISTRICT SECRETARY

A. Excused Absences: Chair Holm and Julie Door

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Homan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Gorder seconded to approve the agenda with the following modifications: remove the Joint Board Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2025, under Unfinished Business add Item A “Board Organization Discussion”. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

None

5. JOINT BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA: Central Pierce Fire & Rescue (Single Motion)

A. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 62413 to 62475 totaling:	\$	815,645.54
GRAND TOTAL	\$	815,645.54

Vice Chair Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. CONSENT AGENDA: Graham Fire & Rescue (Single Motion)

A. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrant Numbered 36537	\$	35.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$	35.00

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

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Board Organization Discussion

Chair Homan reported that the Board wishes to maintain continuity in the preparation of Board meetings. The Chair opened the floor for discussion on establishing a formal process for Board Members to submit agenda items. A proposal was made for the Board to consider appointing Co-Chairs through the end of 2025. After brief discussion, it was agreed that Chief Morrow will schedule agenda review meetings, and all three Board Chairs may attend as their schedules permit.

B. Naming Convention Discussion

Chief Morrow asked for direction regarding two topics related to the merging Districts. Item 1.) Solicit a 3rd party consultant to lead a public naming process to be budgeted and completed in 2026. Item 2.) Use a joint logo to start emphasizing the combined District, and stop using individual logos, except where legally required. The Board provided concurrence on both items.

C. Strategic Plan Discussion

Chief Morrow noted that strategic alignment between the 3 merging agencies is needed before a combined Strategic Plan can be adopted in 2027. To support this effort, the Chief requested direction from the Board to compile a comprehensive list identifying operational elements necessary for organizational integration over the next six months. This list will include, but is not limited to, all station locations, apparatus assignments, and staffing models. The Board provided consensus to compile a comprehensive list.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sourcewell Agreement

Director Roberts presented the Interagency Agreement between Sourcewell and CPFR. Commissioner McAfee moved and Commissioner Samuelson seconded to approve the Fire Chief to sign and execute the Interagency Agreement with Sourcewell. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Resolution 25-03 – Concurrent Resolution Appointing Agent to Receive Claims

Director Roberts presented the Concurrent Resolution Appointing Agent to Receive Claims. Commissioner Buttz moved and Commissioner Gorder seconded to waive the second reading of Resolution 25-03 Concurrent Resolution Appointing Agent to Receive Claims. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Commissioner McAfee moved and Commissioner Dannat seconded to approve Resolution 25-03, Concurrent Resolution Appointing Agent to Receive Claims, appointing the Director or Deputy Director of Executive Services as the authorized agent(s) to receive any claims for damages. **MOTION CARRIED.**

C. South Pierce Fire & Rescue Contract Extension

Chief Morrow presented the South Pierce Fire & Rescue updated contract for first review.

10. CONSIDERATION & REQUESTS

A. William Cardinal Retiree Medical Request

Chief Morrow provided the Board with a summary of William Cardinals request to retire effective June 30, 2025.

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Willis seconded to approve William Cardinal to be added to the list of 2025 Retirees that will receive Retiree Medical as outlined in Resolution 13-01. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

A. Business Services Directorate/Director Coleman: Director Coleman reviewed the Business Services Directorate Report.

B. Executive Services Directorate/Director Roberts: Director Roberts reviewed the Executive Services Directorate Report.

C. Fire Chief's Report/Chief Morrow: Chief Morrow reviewed the Fire Chief's Report.

D. Local 726 Report- President James provided a report on recent and upcoming events involving Local 726 members. He noted participation in a retirement celebration held the previous week, the Washington State Fallen Firefighter Memorial in Olympia, and Camp Goodtimes on Vashon Island.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Homan appreciated the letters of recognition.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:10 p.m., Commissioner Samuelsen moved and Commissioner Dannat seconded to move into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) to consider a site for acquisition of real estate by lease; or RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) to consider a site for acquisition of real estate for purchase, and RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the performance of a public employee for 20 minutes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

At 7:30 p.m., Vice Chair Stringfellow moved and Commissioner Samuelsen seconded to return to regular session. **MOTION CARRIED.**

14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Mitchell- Commissioner Mitchell expressed his happiness.

Commissioner Willis- Commissioner Willis expressed concerns about the cost of rebranding.

Commissioner Dannat- Commissioner Dannat discussed Commissioner residency requirements.

Commissioner Buttz- Commissioner Buttz emphasized that she would like the group to prioritize remaining changes associated with the merger, and work within the budget.

Commissioner Berdan- Commissioner Berdan mentioned considering rebranding at end-of-service life on some assets to save money.

Commissioner Gorder- Commissioner Gorder expressed that slowly phasing-in a new district name would make financial sense.

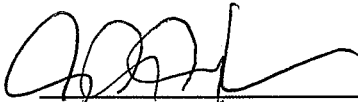
Commissioner McAfee- Commissioner McAfee thanked commissioners for coming together for our citizens.

Chair Homan- Chair Homan offered his congratulations to all recently promoted staff

15. ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.



Steve Stringfellow
Vice Chair of the Board, CPFR



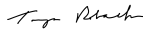
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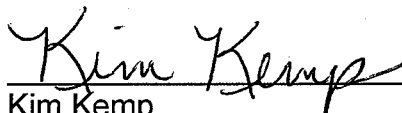


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