REGULAR JOINT MEETING MINUTES CPFR, GFR, AND OVFR JOINT BOARD MEETING September 8, 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: Chair Holm, Vice Chair Stringfellow, Commissioners Berdan, Mitchell, and Willis, Chair Homan, Commissioners McAfee and Samuelsen, Chair Bellerive, Vice Chair Palombi, Commissioner Buttz, Ex-Officio Door, Chief Morrow, Director Robacker, Director Roberts, Deputy Director Kemp, and SS McInnis, Recorder. Vice Chair Barstow joined at 6:25 p.m. Commissioner Gorder joined at 6:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL - DISTRICT SECRETARY

A. Excused Absences: Commissioners Dannat and Commissioner Estes

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Homan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (FOR ITEMS SPECIFICALLY ON THE AGENDA) None.

5. JOINT BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

A. Joint Board Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2025 Commissioner Samuelsen moved, and Chair Bellerive seconded to approve the Minutes of August 25, 2025, as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**.

6. CONSENT AGENDA: CENTRAL PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE (Single Motion)

A. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 62738 to 62796 totaling:	\$ 12,156,504.17
Net Payroll Warrants Numbered 108445 to 108453	16,285.44
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 12,172,789.61

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

7. CONSENT AGENDA: ORTING VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE (Single Motion)

A. Approval of:

Expense to GO Bond Transfer Request:	\$ 200.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 200.00

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

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

A. Approval of:

Accounts Payable Warrants Numbered 36555 to 36560 totaling:	\$ 8,322.40
Net Payroll Warrant Numbered 100995 totaling:	\$ 16,794.37
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 25,116.77

Commissioner Samuelsen moved, and Commissioner McAfee seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for Graham Fire & Rescue. **MOTION CARRIED**.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. BOD 4.47 Apparatus Flag Policy

Chief Morrow presented Board Policy 4.47 – Apparatus Flag Policy. Minor revisions were made following the first reading. Commissioner Samuelsen moved, and Commissioner Buttz seconded, to approve the policy as amended to include "all flags." Commissioner Willis opposed. **MOTION CARRIED**.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. BOD 3.27 Purchasing Policy

Director Robacker presented Board Policy 3.27 – Purchasing Policy. The policy has been updated from the previous version, and any Board feedback received over the next two weeks will be considered.

B. BOD 3.03 Board Policy Manual Update

Chair Homan presented Board Policy 3.03 – Board Policy Manual. Several changes were made to the previous version, and feedback received over the next two weeks will be considered.

- C. BOD 4.48 Public Access to Fire Stations and Facilities
 DC VanKeulen presented Board Policy 4.48 Public Access to Fire Stations and Facilities.
 All Board feedback over the next two weeks will be considered.
- D. Graham Fire & Rescue Resolution #1011
 Director Roberts presented Graham Fire & Rescue Resolution #1011.

Vice Chair Barstow moved, and Commissioner McAfee seconded to waive the second reading of Graham Fire & Rescue Resolution #1011. **MOTION CARRIED**.

Commissioner McAfee moved and Commissioner Samuelsen seconded to approve Graham Fire & Rescue Resolution #1011 transferring \$8,230,000 to CPFR from GFR and appropriating \$230,000 in General Fund Div 300. **MOTION CARRIED**.

11. CONSIDERATIONS & REQUESTS

None

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

A. Emergency Services Directorate/Deputy Chief Rosenlund: DC Rosenlund reviewed the Emergency Services Directorate Report.

- B. Performance Directorate/Deputy Chief Jackson: DC Jackson reviewed the Performance Directorate Report.
- C. Human Resources Directorate/HR Director Washo: Director Washo reviewed the Human Resources Directorate Report.
- D. Fire Chief's Report/Chief Morrow: Chief Morrow reviewed the Fire Chief's Report.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Employee Recognition Letter – Espino Chair Homan noted it was great to see the positive letters recognizing our people and the excellent work being done.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:11 p.m., Commissioner Samuelsen moved and Commissioner Buttz seconded to move into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) To review the proposals made in negotiations of a collective bargaining agreement for 25 minutes. **MOTION CARRIED**.

At 7:36 p.m., Chair Homan extended the meeting for 5 minutes.

At 7:41 p.m., Chair Homan extended the meeting for 3 minutes.

At 7:44 p.m., Chair Homan extended the meeting for 2 minutes.

At 7:46 p.m., Commissioner Samuelsen moved and Chair Holm seconded to return to Regular Session. **MOTION CARRIED**.

15. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Willis – Commissioner Willis shared his perspective on the display of flags on apparatus.

Commissioner Mitchell – Commissioner Mitchell stated he is happy to be here and is hopeful and available to help as needed.

Vice Chair Stringfellow – Commissioner Stringfellow noted issues with the iPads but otherwise expressed that he is very happy.

Commissioner Berdan – Commissioner Berdan stated he is happy to be here.

Chair Bellerive - Chair Bellerive also raised concerns with the iPads.

Commissioner Buttz – Commissioner Buttz echoed previous comments, apologized for missing a few meetings, and expressed that she is glad to be present this evening

Vice Chair Barstow – Vice Chair Barstow expressed appreciation for everyone's input and stated he looks forward to the next meeting.

Commissioner McAfee – Commissioner McAfee expressed appreciation for the work being done, thanked Chair Homan for his input on Board Policy 3.03 – Board Policy Manual, and also thanked staff.

Commissioner Samuelsen – Commissioner Samuelsen commended DC Berdan for his outstanding people skills.

Chair Homan – Chair Homan reminded the Board that as we enter the budget cycle, there will be special budget meetings. He encouraged everyone to remain respectful, maintain a positive attitude, and work toward the best resolution for the organization, noting that these will not be easy conversations.

16. ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Matthew Holm

Chair of the Board, CPFR

Robert L. Homan

Chair of the Board, GFR

Jason Bellerive

Chair of the Board, OVFR

Erika McInnis

Recorder

Tanya Robacker

District Secretary, CPFR

Sandi Roberts

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Kim Kemp

District Secretary, OVFR