

Klickitat County Fire District 3

200 Husum Street Husum, WA 98623

Commissioner's Regular Meeting

December 12, 2024, at 15:00 (3 pm)

This meeting was available using remote online video and telephone technology. The district posted a notice of how to access the meeting (Website).

Call to order: 15:00

Attendance: Quorum.

Commissioner Montag (Chair), Commissioner Connor (Vice Chair) Commissioner Virts.

Staff/Volunteers: Wes Long (Fire Chief), Rozalind Plumb (District Secretary), Jennifer McLean (Admin. Assistant), Eric Bosler (Prevention), Jarin Ladiges.

Approval of agenda.

"Motion to approve the agenda as presented" Made by Commissioner Connor, seconded by Commissioner Virts. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

Minutes of the last meeting:

- November 14th, 2025, Budget Hearing
- November 14th, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

"Motion to approve the minutes of November 14th Budget Hearing". Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

"Motion to approve the minutes of November 14th Regular Board Meeting". Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

Finance Report See attached.

All the invested funds have matured and a request to reinvest has been sent to the County. Operating budget is at 93%.

General Expenditure Scripts

"Move to approve the general expense fund scripts." Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

Chief's / Training Report – Not available.

Chief noted there have been no inquiries on the engine for sale.

Transitioning to the WKRFA is going well. There will be a presentation for Chief Hunsaker at the next City Council meeting. There will be 2 lieutenant positions opening up for volunteers to apply for. Captain Helton has resigned in good standing and Captain Grose has taken over at Station 32.

Training schedule is disrupted over the holiday season as expected. EVIP training is in progress, EMT Basic classes are only available through the Community College at this time which is considerably more expensive.

On Going Business

- 1. Personnel:**
- 2. Policies:**
- 3. Capital Projects – on hold until 2025**
- 4. Engine Replacement:** The 4x4 engine for Station 34 is still waiting for a service before it can be placed in service.

- 5. West Klickitat Regional Fire Authority (WKRFA)**
 - General update. The Lease agreement is still in process. The interlocal agreement for Water in the city is in process.
 - Moving KCFD3 funds to WKRFA- The resolution is in place, and we are coordinating with the County.

- 6. Bond Payment – Resolution 2024-12 Authorize onetime payment to reduce length of the Bond.** This will also reduce the payment amounts moving forward.

“Motion to approve resolution 2024-12 to authorize one-time payment to reduce length of the bond.” Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

- 7. 2025 Board Meeting Schedule – Resolution 2024-13.**

KCFD3 Commissioners are still required to meet monthly. Meetings will be scheduled on the same day as WKRFA Governing Board meetings to avoid incurring additional stipends costs. It is anticipated that meetings can be cancelled if there is no business to attend to. Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of every month at 18:00, at Station 30, 119 NE Church Street White Salmon, WA 98672.

“Motion to approve resolution 2024-13 setting the 2025 meeting schedule.” Made by Commissioner Connor, seconded by Commissioner Virts. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

New Business:

2025 Board officer positions- Commissioner Connor suggested they maintain the current position on the board.

Public Discussion: None.

Good of the order: Commissioner Virts noted that Nathan Herbeck is now the interim Chief for the Klickitat County EMS District.

Commissioner Virts requested the other board members to consider increasing the pay rates of the administrative staff moving into the RFA.

Next meeting:

- KCFD3 Regular meeting- *Thursday January 16th at 18:00 Station 30*
- WKRFA Regular meeting – *Thursday January 16th 18:30 Station 30*

"Motion to adjourn." (3 yay, 0 nay) ***motion passed.***

Adjourned: 3.32pm

APPROVED BY:

Attest:


Chairman – Commissioner Thomas Montag (date)


District Secretary Rozalind Plumb


Commissioner Robert Connor (date)


Commissioner Charles Virts (date)