KLICKITAT COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 3

200 Husum Street, Husum, WA 98623 2025 Budget Hearing Thursday November 14, 2024, 3.00pm

Hearing was available on zoom.

The purpose of the Hearing is to allow public comment for the 2025 Budget and Levy amount.

1. Open Meeting: Call to order. 15:00 (3:00 p.m.)

2. Approval of agenda

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

3. Attendance:

Commissioner Montag, Commissioner Virts, Commissioner Connor. Quorum present. Chief Long, Rozalind Plumb, Jennifer McLean.

4. 2025 General Levy amount:

All KCFD3 operating, capital and invested funds will be transferred to the West Klickitat Regional Fire Authority.

All future General operations of KCFD3 will be covered under the West Klickitat Regional Fire Authority Budget and levy.

5. Review of BOND Levy:

KCFD3 received voter approval for a Capital Improvement Bond in November 2018. The Capital Bond Levy can only be applied to properties that were within the KCFD3 voting boundary in November 2018. (This is why the bond could not be transferred to the RFA). Initial Capital Bond amount = \$3,235,750.00.

KCFD3 has consistently levied \$320,000 annually to cover repayment of the Bond. This has resulted in a surplus and the district is in the process of paying down the principal to reduce the life of the bond.

Capital Bond Levy amount for 2025 will be in the region of \$242,423. This is the amount recommended by Bond Consultant DA Davidson to ensure coverage of the payment in 2025. Staff are still waiting for consultant Jim Nelson of DA Davidson to confirm the amount with Klickitat County Treasurer Greg Gallagher.

6. Public Discussion: None.

Approval of the 2025 Budget will occur under the West Klickitat Regional Fire Authority at the regular business meeting scheduled for Thursday November 21st, 2024, at 6p.m.

Motion to adjourn:

"Motion to adjourn." Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

Adjourned: 15:04 (3:04 p.m.)

APPROVED BY:

Attest:

Chairman – Commissioner Thomas Montag. (date)

District Secretary Rozalind Plumb

Adjourned: 12/12/2 V
Commissioner Robert Connor (date)

Commissioner Charles Virts