



## Grant County Fire District No. 8

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### Board of Commissioner Regular Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Grant County Fire Protection District No. 8 was held on March 10, 2026. The meeting was held in person and via Zoom. Information for the public to participate was posted on our website and on the door of the main station. The meeting was recorded by Zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 16:00 by Chair Commissioner Debra Crain.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Commissioners present: Debra Crain, Richard Jenkin, Joshua Seanard, Scott Nesbit, and Russell Brixey. A quorum was established.

Others present: Chief Matt Hyndman (Zoom), District Secretary Barbara Davis, Assistant Chief Les Sandstrom

There were no members of the public in attendance to be welcomed and invited to comment.

**Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion: Nesbit. Second: Jenkin. Motion approved unanimously.**

**Consent Agenda:** The Consent Agenda with Vouchers, Payroll, and Transactions was reviewed. Vouchers were audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expenses reimbursed claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, having been recorded on a listing that was made available to the Board. A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion: Nesbit. Second: Seanard. Motion approved unanimously.** The documents were signed by the Board.

**Chief's Report:** Chief reviewed his written report. Call volume in February: 28 calls - EMS 23, Fire 5; this was a 1% increase from last year. Chief reported on apparatus repairs and maintenance for various apparatuses, specifically the boat. Chief reported that we are refreshing our hiring list with 7 applicants on the panel interview list and 3 that moved on to the Chiefs interview later this week. Commissioner Nesbit asked if we had 3 openings and Chief replied that we had no openings currently, but we needed to refresh the hiring list. Chief reviewed the training schedule including training for FF2 testing, EVIP, wildland refresher, and the Wenatchee Fire school. Chief provided a garage project update. The project quotes, budget, and funding were reviewed. Commissioners Seanard and Nesbit suggested combining the lots if needed to expedite the permitting process. There was discussion on the topic and Chief is to investigate the idea. Commissioner Seanard asked Chief if he had considered applying for the Paul Lauzier Grant for facilities. Chief said he had and there was discussion on the details. Chief reported that the HVAC system cold weather kit was installed at Station 81. Chief announced we were awarded the Phase 2 and Phase 3 grants from DNR and the AFG grant is close to being submitted. He stated he would work on the Paul Lauzier grant next. Chief stated he had nothing further and there were no other questions.

**Business Manager/District Secretary's Report:** Secretary Davis reviewed her written report and the available financial reports. Davis provided the Board with the certified levy rates for the 2026 tax year, which were slightly higher than budgeted. Davis reported that the Lexipol policy manual was coming along as planned and there was discussion on the details. She stated she was still waiting for the year-end

financial reports from the county to be able to start the Annual Report, but she had started working on the supplemental questions. Davis stated she had nothing further and there were no questions.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Strategic Planning Workshop – There was discussion on the strategic planning workshop, and the special meeting was set for Thursday, March 26, 2026, from 16:00 to 18:00.

**New Business:** None

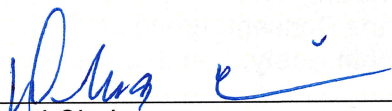
**Additional Business:** None

**Executive Session:** Commissioner Crain asked if there was a need for an Executive Session. Chief requested 15 minutes to review the performance of a public employee. Commissioner Crain announced that the Board would go into Executive Session for 15 minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee. Executive Session from 16:31 to 16:46. No decisions were made. The regular meeting resumed at 16:46.

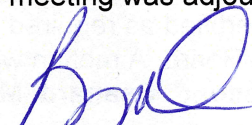
**Announcements & Upcoming Events**

1. Next regular meeting: April 14, 2026, at 16:00 via Zoom and in person.
2. Spring Seminar Series for New & Experienced Commissioner, Chief, and Secretary Training: Davis was scheduled on March 14 via Zoom, the Commissioners requested to be registered for the May 2 webinar.
3. AC Sandstrom stated that we were gearing up for wildland season and there was discussion on that as well as the D6T Dozer driver training.

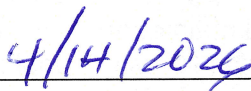
There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 16:54 hours.



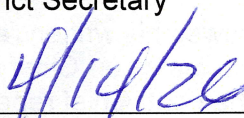
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