



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 February 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, Scott Nesbit, and Joshua Seanard. A quorum was established. A motion was made to excuse Commissioner Russell Brixey as he had requested.

Motion: Nesbit. Second: Jenkin. Motion approved unanimously.

Others present: Chief Matt Hyndman, District Secretary Barbara Davis, FF/EMT Brittany Roberts

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: Jenkin. Motion approved unanimously.** The documents were signed by the Board.

Chief's Report: Chief reviewed his written report. Call volume in January: 56 calls - EMS 45, Fire 11; this was a 30% increase from last January. Chief reported on apparatus repairs and maintenance for various apparatuses, specifically the boat. He also stated that Dejero and Starlink would be installed in five apparatus soon. This will be done through MACC at no cost to the District. Chief reported that we have seven residents and we are refreshing our hiring list with applications due by February 27. Chief reviewed the training schedule including training for boat operators, ropes classes, fire school, and conferences. Chief provided a garage project update. He reported that the HVAC system would have a cold weather kit added to assist the system during colder weather. He stated he and Les went to Olympia on the 29th for WFC Legislation Day and reported there was a good turnout of Grant County Fire Chiefs. He said he had nothing further. Commissioner Crain asked about the quote and budget for the garage project and Chief replied that the project should be completed under budget and lower than the \$1.4M quote. 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 values for 2025 levies for the 2026 tax year. Davis reported that she and Les had gotten through the first two chapters of the policy manual and were targeting other policies that are of high value to the District. 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 could start the report and go through 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 tentatively set for Tuesday, March 24, 2025, or Thursday, March 26, 2026, from 16:00 to 18:00.

New Business:

1. Uncollectable Invoices – Davis provided a list of outstanding invoices that she and Brenda had been trying to collect. There was discussion on the details of each one. Chief stated that he would contact the customers. Commissioner Nesbit stated that we needed to be stricter and have the first aid CPR classes paid for in advance or the day of the training. The rest of the Board concurred.

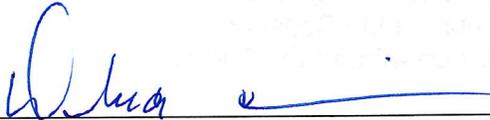
Additional Business: None

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 16:43 to 16:48. No decisions were made. The regular meeting resumed at 17:00.

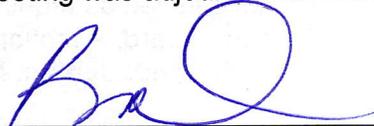
Announcements & Upcoming Events

1. Next regular meeting: March 10, 2026, at 16:00 via Zoom and in person.
2. Spring Seminar Series for New & Experienced Commissioner, Chief, and Secretary Training: March 14 in Spokane, May 2 in Suquamish or via webinar.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 17:064 hours.



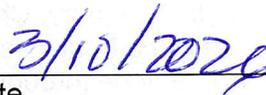
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