

Whatcom County Fire District No. 11
Board of Fire Commissioners
3809 Legoe Bay Road, Lummi Island, WA. 98262
August 12th, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Bill Lee at 3809 Legoe Bay Road, Lummi Island, WA 98262 called the Regular Meeting for August 12th, 2025 to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: In attendance were Commissioner Bill Lee, Commissioner Joan Moyer, Commissioner Dan Ohms, Chief Michael Lish, and Board Secretary Lisa Lish.

GUEST: Asst Chief John Granger, Lt Chris Immer, FF John Blair and FF Nick Kluge.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chief Lish reported that Matt Klein, deputy director of DEM, and Sheriff Tanksley both contacted him during the tsunami event to offer their assistance to our community if needed. Chief Lish stated that he appreciated their efforts and their partnership.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for the Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on July 8th, 2025 were approved as submitted by Chairperson Bill Lee.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Lish gave the Chief's report. Chief Lish reported that Jack Wilson retired and thanked him for his service to the community. Chief Lish announced the promotion of firefighter Nick Kluge to Lieutenant; Lt Kluge has completed his Battalion Officer probationary requirements as well.

Chief Lish reported that the road to Inati Bay is overgrown and unmaintained to the point that it is unsafe to drive down to Inati Bay to post Burn Ban signs. If the district needs to respond to an emergency in that area it will need to exercise due regard in responding to that area.

Fire districts within Whatcom County were email a draft copy of the Fire Service and EMS Assessment, a consolidation study the Whatcom County Executive and Council hired Mission Critical Partners to perform on the fire districts in Whatcom County. The fire districts report many errors within the report. Chief Lish sent Mission Critical Partners the errors for District 11. The Board asked Chief Lish to forward the draft report to them so they could review it as well. He will do so.

PAYROLL:

Motion: Commissioner Dan Ohms made motion, "To approve the payroll for August 2025 (Hourly employees, Stipend and Battalion Shifts for July 2025; and

current month August 2025 for Contracted Employees) in the amount of \$17,495.20.” Seconded by Commissioner Joan Moye, AND PASSED 3-0.

BLANKET VOUCHERS:

The Board of Commissioners, at 3809 Legoe Bay Road, Lummi Island, WA 98262, reviewed the regular Blanket vouchers approval documents for August 2025 Expenses for approval of payments, on August 12th, 2025 and approved. “Vouchers audited and certified by RCW 42.24.080, and those expenses, reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been made available to the Board.”

Motion: Commissioner Joan Moye made motion, “To approve the vouchers for August 2025 vouchers #250801001-250801019, and approve for payment those vouchers included in the list in the amount of \$86,840.93” Motion seconded by Commissioner Dan Ohms, AND PASSED 3-0.

FINANCIAL/SECRETARY REPORTS: June 2025 report given by Secretary Lisa Lish. Secretary Lish reported that the Washington State Auditor’s office had begun the audit for the fiscal years of 2022,2023, and 2024.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2025-287 Declaring the 2007 Ford Escape surplus to the needs of the District to be disposed of in the most cost effective manner.

Motion: Commissioner Dan Ohms made motion, “To approve Resolution 2025-287 declaring the 2007 Ford Escape surplus.” Motion seconded by Commissioner Joan Moye, AND PASSED 3-0.

Resolution 2025-288 Declaring the 2011 Chevrolet Tahoe surplus to the needs of the District to be disposed of in the most cost effective manner.

Motion: Commissioner Joan Moye made motion, “To approve Resolution 2025-288 declaring the 2011 Chevrolet Tahoe surplus.” Motion seconded by Commissioner Dan Ohms, AND PASSED 3-0.

GOOD OF THE ORDER/ANNOUCEMENTS: None.

SIGNING OF THE DOCUMENTS:

Motion: There being no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Dan Ohms moved and Commissioner Joan Moye seconded, to adjourn the meeting, AND PASSED 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Board Secretary Lisa Lish

Commissioner Bill Lee

Commissioner Joan Moye

Commissioner Dan Ohms

Approved at the Whatcom County Fire District # 11 Board of Commissioner Meeting on September 9th, 2025.