



WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.14
REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
September 8, 2026

PRESENT: Commissioner RobRoy Graham, Commissioner Russell Vreugdenhil, , Commissioner Chris Moe, District Chief Jerry DeBruin, Assistant District Chief David Moe, EMS Captain/District Administrator Heather Ripke-Olson

Absent: Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp, Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr.

Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM.

Items approved and signed by the Commissioners:

- Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2026
- Financial Reports
- Approval of Current Warrants and Payroll
 - Warrants in the amount of \$70626.09 and ACH \$2447.91
 - Payroll in the amount of \$80026.43
- Resolution 2026-04 - Transport Rate Increases for 2027
- BVFF- Reimbursements for onboarding physicals
- BVFF – Accident Report
- Certificate of Eligibility for BVFF Pension for Chief DeBruin

August 2026 Treasurers Report:

71400 Expense Fund

• Beginning Cash Balance	\$894,276.51
• Tax Receipts	\$11,161.29
• Misc. Receipts	\$34,528.96
• Leasehold	-
• Forest Board	-
• Timber Excise	-
• Net Cash Transfer	(\$333,740.90)
• Disbursements	(\$153,967.95)
• Refund Interest Paid	(\$13.83)
• Ending Cash Balance	\$452,244.08
• Beginning Investment Balance	\$36,739.49
• Earnings Less Fees	\$121.47
• Ending Investment Balance	\$36,860.96
• Total Cash & Investment Pool	\$489,105.04

71401 Reserve Fund

• Beginning Cash Balance	\$168,461.75
• Misc. Receipts	\$27,000.00
• Net Investments	-
• Net Cash Transfer	-
• Ending Cash Balance	\$195,461.75
• Beginning Investment Balance	\$1,105,065.89
• Earnings Less Fees	\$2,373.68
• Net Investment Activity	-
• Ending Investment Balance	\$1,107,439.57
• Total Cash & Investment Pool	\$1,302,901.32

71403 Go Bond

• Beginning Cash Balance	\$0.23
• Net Cash Transfers	\$333,740.90
• Disbursements	(\$333,740.90)
• Ending Cash Balance	\$0.23
• Beginning Debt Balance	\$818,112.37
• Net Debt Activity	(\$330,131.28)
• Ending Debt Balance	\$487,981.09

71404 Mitigation Fees

• Beginning Cash Balance	\$3,022.50
• Miscellaneous Receipts	\$1,530.14
• Net Investments	-
• Net Cash transfer	-
• Ending Cash Balance	\$4,552.64
• Beginning Investment Balance	-
• Ending Investment Balance	-
• Ending Cash Balance & Investment	\$4,553.64

Bank of the Pacific Statement:

• Beginning Balance (8/01/2026)	\$2,570.53
• Deposits/Misc. Credits 26	\$21,268.39
• Withdrawals/Misc. Debits 6	\$21,484.29
• Ending Balance (8/31/2026)	\$2,354.63

Meeting Minutes:

August 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Commissioner Graham **motioned** to accept the Regular meeting minutes. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

Claim Payment Request & Payroll:

September 2026 Claim Vouchers and Payroll:

Motion: Commissioner Vreugdenhil **motioned** to accept the Claim Vouchers and Payroll. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Graham and approved.

Resolution For Whatcom County Fire Protection district NO.14 To Set New Rate Changes For Ambulance Rates:

Motion: Commissioner Moe **motioned** to accept the Resolution for Whatcom County Fire Protection district NO.14 to Set New Rate Changes for Ambulance Rates. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

BVFF Invoice Voucher for Reimbursement of New Volunteers Physical Exams:

Motion: Commissioner Vreugdenhil **motioned** to accept the BVFF Invoice Voucher for Reimbursement of New Volunteers Physical Exams: The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Graham and approved.

Report to BVFF for Accident of Member:

Motion: Commissioner Graham **motioned** to acknowledge and accept the report to BVFF for accident of member. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

Certificate of Eligibility For BVFF Pension For Chief DeBruin:

Motion: Commissioner Graham **motioned** to acknowledge and accept Certificate of Eligibility for BVFF Pension for Chief DeBruin. The motion was **seconded** by Commissioner Vreugdenhil and approved.

Old Business:

Currently working on flood control improvements at Station 91, Sumas. Chief DeBruin and Assistant Chief Moe will be meeting with a county consulting firm soon and will explore options for possible funding for future flood control projects.

District Chief DeBruin:

- All is going well.
- Training facility is now being used. Rope rescue Training was held recently.
- VFIS – completed risk analysis and assessment.
- Fire Academy and EMT Class are going well.

Assistant District Chief Moe:

- All district vehicles are home from state mobilization/deployment.
- C9102 new duty vehicle should be in service the next month or so.
- Filming at Station 92 should be the week of September 21-25.

Station Reports:

Station 91: Battalion Chief Jay Van Middendorp was absent.

- Nothing new to report.

Station 92: Battalion Chief Frank Cain Jr was absent.

- Nothing new to report.

Station 93:

Nothing new to report.

New Business:

- Nothing new to report.

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- Nothing new to report.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM with commissioners in agreement.

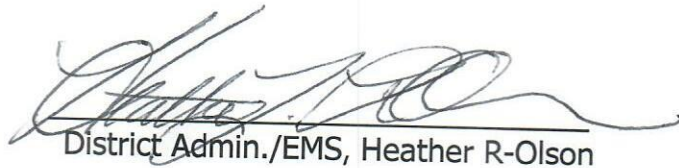
The next regular meeting will be on **October 13, 2026** at **4:00 PM** at the Kendall Station:



Commissioner-Chair, RobRoy Graham


Commissioner, Chris Moe

Commissioner, Russell Vreugdenhil


District Admin./EMS, Heather R-Olson