

# **Fire District 3**

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## **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

### **Minutes**

February 11, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at Station 31 and online via Teams: [Teams meeting](#)

**Present:** Commissioner Jon Couture, Commissioner Dean Thornberry, Commissioner Shane Bowman, FC Chris Drone (remote), DC Mansfield, DC Blomdahl, Citizens, E34, EMS 31, On-line Brian Brault, Dustin Bross.

**Call to Order: 18:00**

**Correspondence:** AC Smith, thank you from the Meritorious Award Recipient.

**Life Saving Award:** AC Smith read the Life Saving Award citation recognizing Brody Walton and John Mosely. The awards were presented to both individuals for their actions. A brief five-minute recess was taken at 18:05, with the meeting reconvening at 18:10.

**Public Comment:** None

**Consent Agenda:** A motion to accept the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Couture. All were in favor, and the motion passed 3–0.

All items listed below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a commissioner requests specific item(s) be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion prior to the time Commission votes on the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda

A. Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2026	
B. Investments in Fund 6204	\$ 4,596,596.23
C. Cash in Fund 6204	\$ 50,920.48
D. Bond Fund 6225	\$ 28,523.65
E. FD3 Impact Fees 6204i	\$ 1,641,760.66
F. Transmittal FD302112026	\$ 121,258.53
G. Payroll FD3 02/10/2026	\$ 452,769.33

### **Old Business**

- Fire Academy Update – DC Mansfield provided an update on the Lateral Academy and Recruit Academy at the Washington State Fire Academy, reporting on Week 3 progress, and noted that the Lateral Academy has been completed with participants transitioning to shift on Sunday.
- BC Negotiations - AC Smith provided an update on Battalion Chief negotiations, noting that agreement has been reached on the final items. AC Smith will ratify the edits and forward the document to the Battalion Chiefs for final proofing. Signing is scheduled to occur on March 2, 2026.

### **New Business**

- Squad Reconfiguration – DC Blomdahl gave an overview on the storage and layout configurations on the squads. SQ31 was the first squad completed. WL cash is at ST34.
- Used Ambulance Options – DC Blomdahl gave an update on the ambulance build, change order, and transport license. Looking at the option of a used 4X4 ambulance as a backup and for mobilizations. The


current ambulance is over 25 Y/O.

**Executive Session:** 25-minute executive session needed. In session at 18:20. Executive session adjourned at 18:46, back in regular session. No action taken.  
RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) and (d) to discuss facilities funding strategy.


**Meeting Schedule**


- Wednesday, Feb 25, 2026, Station 31 18:00 hrs. Board Meeting
- Wednesday, March 11, 2026, Station 31 18:00 hrs. Board Meeting

**Adjournment: 18:48**

  
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Fire Commissioner Jon Couture

  
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Fire Commissioner Dean Thornberry

  
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Fire Commissioner Shane Bowman

  
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Fire Chief Chris Drone