

Fire District 3

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

March 11, 2026

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

Present: Commissioners Shane Bowman, Dean Thornberry, Jon couture (18:03) FC Drone, AC Smith DCs Mansfield and Blomdahl, (1) citizen, EMS31, (1) on-line, Station 31 crew.

Call to Order: 18:00

Correspondence:

- Commissioner Thornberry provided a summary of the EMS District 2 meeting, reporting that new members were accepted, the new MPD contract was approved, CRESA delivered an EMS District 2 history presentation, and the next meeting is scheduled for April 2026 with a transition to quarterly meetings thereafter.
- FC Drone received a thank you letter with a \$1000.00 dollar donation.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda: A motion was made to accept the consent agenda by Commissioner Shane Bowman, second by Commissioner Couture, all were in favor 3-0. Consent agenda was accepted.

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 February 25, 2026	
B. Investments in Fund 6204	\$ 3,628,232.79
C. Cash in Fund 6204	\$ 21,788.90
D. Bond Fund 6225	\$ 28,616.82
E. FD3 Impact Fees 6204i	\$ 1,647,123.37
F. Transmittal FD303102026	\$ 58,797.86
G. Payroll FD3 03/10/2026	\$ 446,788.42

Old Business

- BC Contract – FC Drone updated the board. The finalized BC contracts are in the board packets for review.
- New Ambulance Update – BC Blomdahl provided an update on the current contract, noting final assembly is anticipated in May with a projected delivery in July. A pre-paint inspection and final inspection will be scheduled, and the remaining balance will be due upon delivery.
- Used Ambulance Update – BC Blomdahl is evaluating options for a used medic unit that will serve as a reserve apparatus and function as a Type 1 wildland (WL) mobilization medic unit. The unit will be a 4x4 chassis and box-style design. A budget of \$75,000 has been allocated. Discussion from the Board and Administration followed.

New Business

- Pacific Cascade Region Wildland Meeting – DC Mansfield gave a summary of projected weather for the 2026 WL season. Information was obtained from the National Weather Service from the regional WL meeting.
- Transport License – EMS 31 gave an update on the current EMS license, timelines, and process to obtain.

Executive Session – One 20-minute session needed to discuss both agenda items. In session for 20 at 18:35 – 18:55. Session extended at 18:55-19:10. No action taken.

RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee.
 RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) and (d) to discuss facilities funding strategy.

Meeting Schedule

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| • Wednesday, March 25, 2026, | Station 31 | 13:00 – 17:00 | Budget Workshop |
| • Wednesday, March 25, 2026, | Station 31 | 18:00 hrs. | Board Meeting |
| • Wednesday, April 8, 2026, | Station 31 | 18:00 hrs. | Board Meeting |

Adjournment: 19:11




 Fire Commissioner Jon Couture



 Fire Commissioner Dean Thornberry



 Fire Commissioner Shane Bowman



 Fire Chief Chris Drone