Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue
Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes
911 N 65th Avenue, Ridgefield

September 11, 2025

Present:
Commissioners Stanley Chunn, David Town, Larry Bartel, Jade Bourke, Ken Ayers.
Chief John Nohr, ACs Eamonn Ryan, Ben Peeler, Mike Jackson.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Chunn at 4:00 p.m.

Flag Salute.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS
None.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Commissioner Bourke to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Second Commissioner Town. Discussed CityGate update and product delivery timelines. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS
None.

COMMUNITY PARTNER REPORT
Ridgefield Council Member Katie Favella provided an update on the City's activities. The city has started a student civic engagement program, several revisions to downtown parking will occur over the next year, PD body cameras are active, and PD vehicle camera installations are in process.

CITIZEN COMMENTS
None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Fire Risk Management Group
No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board
Commissioner Chunn summarized the September 10 meeting. Working on the 2026 budget. Anticipating that the contribution will be lower next year but will initially budget for the same amount as this year. Projecting 1,500 station responses for 2025. Operations is working on the updated MOU with FD6.

Finance Committee – Town/Bourke
No report.

Local BVFF – Chunn/Ayers
No report.

WFCA Region VIII – Bartel
Attendees are registered and rooms reserved for the October WFCA annual conference. Chief Nohr and Commissioner Bartel will attends Snure's legal update.

Cowlitz Indian Tribe – Contract Liaison Bartel/Bourke
Chief Nohr advised he spoke with Timi Russin who shared that the Chairman was quite happy with the last meeting. They are looking at ways to finance other CCFR equipment needs. Noted that several properties have been moved into trust. A new hotel is planned for the old dairy barn location at the La Center exit.

EMS District 2 – Bourke
The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 15 at 1 p.m.

Port of Ridgefield
Commissioner Bartel advised the next phase of derelict boat removals is scheduled. The Pioneer Street project should be completed by the end of October. Speed cameras installed on Royal Road.

Commissioner Updates
Commissioner Town advised that he attended the August 30 Port Woodland meeting. The director was terminated. David Ripp is the interim director while they search for a replacement.

CHIEF'S REPORT
Chief Nohr reported that the insurance policy renewal will be addressed at the next Risk Management Group meeting. WHA is working to find us the best deal, but we should anticipate an increase. Met with Ridgefield City Manager Steve Stuart to discuss the Ridgefield station location. Close to establishing a site. Also discussed impact fees and the rates in other cities. Encouraged the city to update the fee schedule for next year. Will be meeting with La Center Mayor Tom Strobehn to discuss the same. Attended an event and recognized Katie Favela on entering the Leadership Clark County leadership development program. Discussed joint board meetings. Chief Nohr advised that FD3, FD6, and FD10 have expressed interest. The FD5 administration will be proposing the invitation to their board. Discussed the best time and place to meet. Update on PointNorth public outreach plans. The upcoming promotional captain's test will be held jointly with FD6. Several officers are working on their BC task books. Testing will be scheduled after the captain's test. Advised that Citygate personnel have met with administrative staff. There is no update or timeframe on station location maps. Chief Nohr will request an update. More information to follow. All information has been uploaded to the Levrum incident tracking program. Next step is training on program use to run reports. Discussed the Kirkland Senior Living facility and volume of new development in the District.

Commissioner Ayers thanked AC Jackson for the informational email regarding the CARES program.

TAX INCREMENT AREAS – UPDATE
Chief Nohr and Commissioner Bartel will attend another stakeholder workgroup meeting in Olympia on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 1 p.m. Finance Manager Kathy Streissguth will attend virtually. This is a follow up to the DOR calculation meeting in August.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS POLICY 1028
AC Peeler recapped the proposed policy which includes an update on head coverings per discussion at the last meeting. Motion by Commissioner Town to approve Uniform Regulations Policy 1028 as presented. Second Commissioner Ayers. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

LATE EDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS
None.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Attest, John Nohr
Fire Chief / District Secretary

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CONSENT AGENDA
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1. Minutes
   - Board Meeting – August 28
2. Prepaid Invoices
   i. None
3. Current Invoices
   - $ 1,684.99 (FFFB Fund 6254)
     i. Chk Nos.104043 – 104044 dated September 11
   - $ 769,004.27 (CCFR Fund 6228)
     i. $ 240,951.57 Chk Nos. 104045 – 104084 dated September 11
     ii. $ 2,463.14 EFT 2538 paid September 11
     iii. $ 525,589.56 ACH 2579 – 2585 to be paid September 12
4. Fund Transfers
   - $ 25,000.00 Gen Fund 6228 to FFFB Fund 6254 Q3-25 St151 Ops
5. Payroll
   - August 1 – 31 Payroll paid September 8
     i. $ 1,223,580.46 Gross Payroll
     ii. $ 810,946.75 Net Payroll ACH 2409 – 2515
     iii. $ 158,254.04 941 Tax Deposit EFT 2516
   - August Payroll Benefits
     i. $ 9,527.13 EFT 2408 paid August 30
     ii. $ 90,401.67 EFT 2521 paid September 8
     iii. $ 434,880.59 Chk Nos. 23001 – 23010 dated September 5
6. August Use Tax paid September 11
   - $ 104.75 CCFR
7. Approved Commissioner Stipends

Month of August paid September 8						
Name	Board Meeting	Committee Meeting	Assn Meeting	Educ	Other	Total Paid
Ayers	2					2
Bartel	1	3				4
Bourke	2					2
Chunn	2					2
Town	2	1				3

8. Voided/Destroyed Claims Warrants
   - 104001 – 108000 unused/destroyed
   - 103222 & 103224 printer malfunction

Commissioner Stanley Chunn – Chair

Commissioner David Town – Vice Chair

Commissioner Larry Bartel

Commissioner Ken Ayers

Commissioner Jade Bourke