



East County Fire and Rescue

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Regular Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting September 01, 2026

Station 91

6:30 PM

Approved Minutes

Attendance

Joshua Seeds

Brendan Addis

Martha Martin

Steve Hofmaster

Eric Holt

Chief Steve Black

Asst. Chief Robert Jacobs

Teresa Guard

Call to Order

Chairperson Joshua Seeds called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM. This meeting was conducted in hybrid format to allow for in-person or video conference participation.

Flag Salute

Commissioner Hofmaster led the flag salute.

Agenda Adjustments

Consent Agenda

- Approval of August 18, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of August 18, 2026 BVFF&RO Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of Financial Transactions.
- Excuse absent Commissioner(s).

Motion by Commissioner Martin to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input

No comments.

Correspondence

None.

Staff Reports

1. Chief Black presented the Chief's operational report; a copy is in the meeting packet.

2. Assistant Chief Jacobs presented his report; a copy is in the meeting packet.
3. Assistant Chief Jacobs reported that since the last board meeting there has been one new accident report submitted for a shoulder injury. The injury occurred back in July during an automobile accident extrication using rescue tools. The firefighter felt discomfort at the time but thought it would subside, which is why the injury was not reported until recently. The firefighter has been advised that in the future such reports should be submitted immediately after an incident.

Fire District Business

- Resolution 390-09012026 – Surplus Equipment: Hoses (see Attachment A)
Motion by Commissioner Hofmaster to adopt Resolution 390-09012026, seconded by Commissioner Holt. Motion passed unanimously.
- Resolution 391-09012026 – Surplus Equipment: Air Compressor and Tablet (see Attachment A)
Motion by Commissioner Martin to adopt Resolution 391-09012026, seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.
- Resolution 392-09012026 – Surplus Equipment: Fans, Chainsaw, Trash Pump (see Attachment A)
Motion by Commissioner Hofmaster to adopt Resolution 392-09012026, seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously.
- Adoption of SOP 1.3.3 – Finance and Accounting
Motion by Commissioner Martin to adopt SOP 1.3.3 – Finance and Accounting, seconded by Commissioner Hofmaster. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Staff Workshop Spring Series – Annual Strategic Vision Roundtables. Chief Black reported that there was a lot of positive feedback regarding the Strategic Vision Roundtable sessions, and that he and the crew would like to make this an annual meeting series.

Committee Meetings

1. Communication with neighboring elected officials.
 - City of Camas – November 17, 2026 at 3:00 PM at the Camas City Hall.
Commissioner Martin reported on the discussion from the previous quarterly meeting with the City of Camas (August 25, 2026), including RFA formation and first board meeting (to be announced), the Airport Master Plan and urban growth boundary, and the recent drowning incident at Lacamas Lake.
 - City of Washougal – next meeting TBA.
2. Next Risk Group Meeting – next meeting September 24, 2026 at 8:00 AM.
3. Next East County Ambulance Advisory Board (ECAAB) – next meeting November 11, 2026.
4. Safety Meeting – next meeting September 30, 2026 at 7:30 PM at Station 91.

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Holt – no comments.

Commissioner Addis – Would like to have further conversation at a later date regarding the recent incident at Lacamas Lake and the position that puts our Firefighters in. In response, Chief Black commented on the recent discussions and plans for expanding upon water rescue at the operations and awareness level.

Commissioner Martin – Requested that everyone bring specific or general questions for our guest speaker, Shelley Byers, on Thursday if they have any. Commissioner Martin also polled the group regarding their attendance at the upcoming WFCB Conference.

Commissioner Hofmaster – no comments.

Commissioner Seeds – Reminded the Commissioners that both Regular Board Meetings and the Commissioner Staff Workshop will fall within the same stipend period this month.

Public Input

No comments.

Local Board for Volunteer Firefighters and Reserve Officers

Upcoming Meetings

- Review of the district's monthly event calendar.
- Next Regular Board meeting will be September 15, 2026 Station 91 at 6:30 PM, hybrid format.
- Next Commissioner Staff Workshop Meeting September 03, 2026 Station 91 at 3:00 PM, hybrid format.

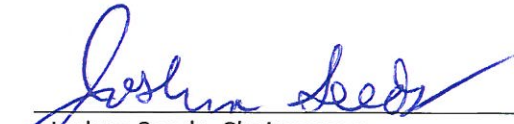
Both the Commissioner Staff Workshop and regular board meeting will be in hybrid format allowing for in-person or video conference participation. The link for video conference participation is provided on the district's website. (www.ecfr.us).

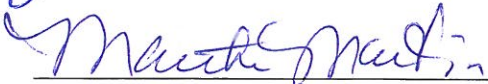
Executive Session

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Hofmaster to adjourn at 7:16 PM, **seconded by Commissioner Martin**.

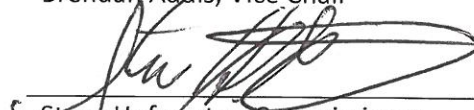
Motion passed unanimously.


Joshua Seeds, Chairperson


Martha Martin, Commissioner


Eric Holt, Commissioner


Brendan Addis, Vice Chair


Steve Hofmaster, Commissioner

Attest


Teresa Guard, District Secretary
Steve Black, Chief (Alternate)

