

Klickitat County Fire District 3

200 Husum Street Husum, WA 98623

Special Meeting

April 24, 2024, at 10:00

This meeting was available using remote online video and telephone technology. The district posted notice of how to access the meeting (Website).

Call to order: 10:00

Attendance

Commissioner Montag (Chair), Commissioner Connor (Vice Chair), Commissioner Virts – (Quorum)
Staff/Volunteers: Wes Long (Fire Chief), Eric Bosler (Fire Prevention), Rozalind Plumb (District Secretary), Jennifer McLean (Admin. Assistant).

Approval of agenda

Motion to approve the agenda. Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

1. WKRFA Planning Committee Financial Needs.

The Board discussed the West Klickitat Regional Fire Authority Planning Committee, and the financial needs required to set up the WKRFA before the effective date of September 30th, 2024.

Administrative staff have been working on the business licenses. Other projects include asset transfers and insurance and liability coverage.

At the March 14 Business meeting the Board had approved making funds available but had not set an amount:

“Motion to authorize staff to use reserve funds to cover professional services that may be necessary in the development and implementation of the RFA subject to approval by the [KCFD3] board.” Made by Commissioner Virts seconded by Commissioner Connor (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

The motion implied all costs would have to be approved ahead of the expenditure. However, the board only meets once per month. Having funds readily available will help staff move the process forward without having to wait for board meetings.

KCFD3 has reserved funds. Approximately \$500,000 is for the new Fire Engine, another \$500,000 is set aside in the event the district needs to fund itself for a year and fund pension liability, approximately \$330,000 is not committed or assigned.

Discussion on the funding of the RFA and how all the money will be transferred to the RFA eventually. In the meantime we are effectively poring from one cup to another until the RFA has its own bank account and income.

2. ACTION:

Authorize use of a set amount of KCFD3 funds to help set up the WKRFA.

“Move that we authorize \$25,0000 to be available for RFA expenditures [contingent on the city doing the same].’ Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

- **Next meeting:** Regular meeting and annexation hearing: Thursday May 9th 3:00 pm.

"Motion to adjourn." Made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (2 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

- **Adjourned: 10:20 am**

APPROVED BY:

Thomas Montag 5/9/24
Chairman – Commissioner Thomas Montag (date)

Robert Connor 5/9/24
Commissioner Robert Connor (date)

Charles Virts 14 May 2024
Commissioner Charles Virts (date)

Attest:

Rozalind Plumb
District Secretary Rozalind Plumb