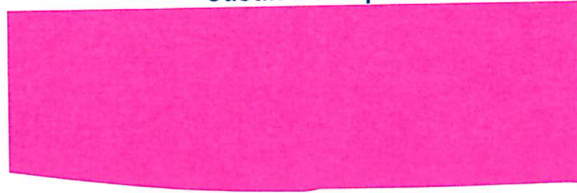


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**Klickitat County Fire District 3
Board of Commissioners**
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Honorable Klickitat County Fire District 3 Board of Commissioners:

We would like to discuss a concern that has arisen as a result of the property survey completed for KCFD3 in preparation for upcoming potential building projects. When the survey was completed for our adjoining property lines on July 14th 2019, we were surprised to see one of the survey markers were placed in the middle of the driveway access to our shop. Please see attached [image 1](#) & [image 2](#) for reference. This driveway has been in use by at least two of the previous owners of our property. I was also able to confirm with Jerry Jones, the previous owner and a former Chief of KCFD3 for over 30 years, that our driveway access to our shop had been established for as long as he could remember and it was without any concerns.

Out of respect for the fire department we did not touch the wooden stake without talking to the department first. The next day, July 15th 2019, my wife and I spoke with Chief Long regarding the marker. He was very pleasant in our discussions and confirmed that we could remove the wooden marker if the metal survey monument was easily identifiable. Additionally, Chief Long confirmed that we could continue to use our driveway access as we had been. Further in our discussions that day, he made mention of a few options that the Board of Commissioners could consider, and that the department had no immediate plans for use in the area of concern, please see [image 3](#) for reference. We all agreed that the next steps would be

that Chief Long would forward the survey when it was received and then he would discuss the matter with the Board of Commissioners and follow back up with us.

Several weeks later we read in the Enterprise newspaper that KCFD3 was close to making final decisions and needed to address some easement concerns with neighbors on Olson Drive. I then checked on Klickitat County's website and found that the survey was available. I then reached out Chief Long and was advised on August 20th that the Board of Commissioners would be holding a public meeting to discuss all the concerns with KCFD3 neighboring properties in the next few days. We have been regularly looking for notice of this meeting, but we have not seen any notices thus far. Therefore, I thought that I would submit my concerns directly for consideration. We are looking forward to amicably discussing the matter promptly with the Board of Commissioners as we did last year with our electrical access easement for KPUD.

If the Board of Commissioners would be agreeable to establishing a prescriptive easement for our existing access to our shop partially across the KCFD3 property, we would be prepared to have an attorney draw up the necessary documents to file with the county at our expense. Please consider that everyone was under the impression that the property lines were further West than what the survey revealed, please see [image 4](#). This image is of a locator marker that the survey company used. Even KCFD3 personnel were expecting this locator marker was the actual property line. As such, the noted area of concern was not identified by KCFD3 for future development considerations. Furthermore, the driveway is oriented around a beautiful and substantial Oak tree, and to adjust the driveway appropriately we would be forced to remove the tree.

Finally, we would like to state that we believe that we are all in a community here in Husum. In fact, I am an active regular member of the Husum BZ Community Council. I enjoy walking my dog across the back field of the KCFD3 property talking and enjoying the company of our neighbors on Olson Drive and beyond. I also consider KCFD3 as our neighbors. I personally believe that we are and have been very friendly and respectful to everyone at KCFD3. We are continue to be grateful for the approval of our electrical easement last year and we completely appreciate our joining property lines. I hope everyone can agree that given our history, we are looking to simply avoid any potential future issues for everyone involved.

Thank you all for your continued time and consideration. I look forward to a hearing back from the Board of Commissioners soon.

Respectfully,

Justin Bousquet

Attached images



Image 1.



Image 2.

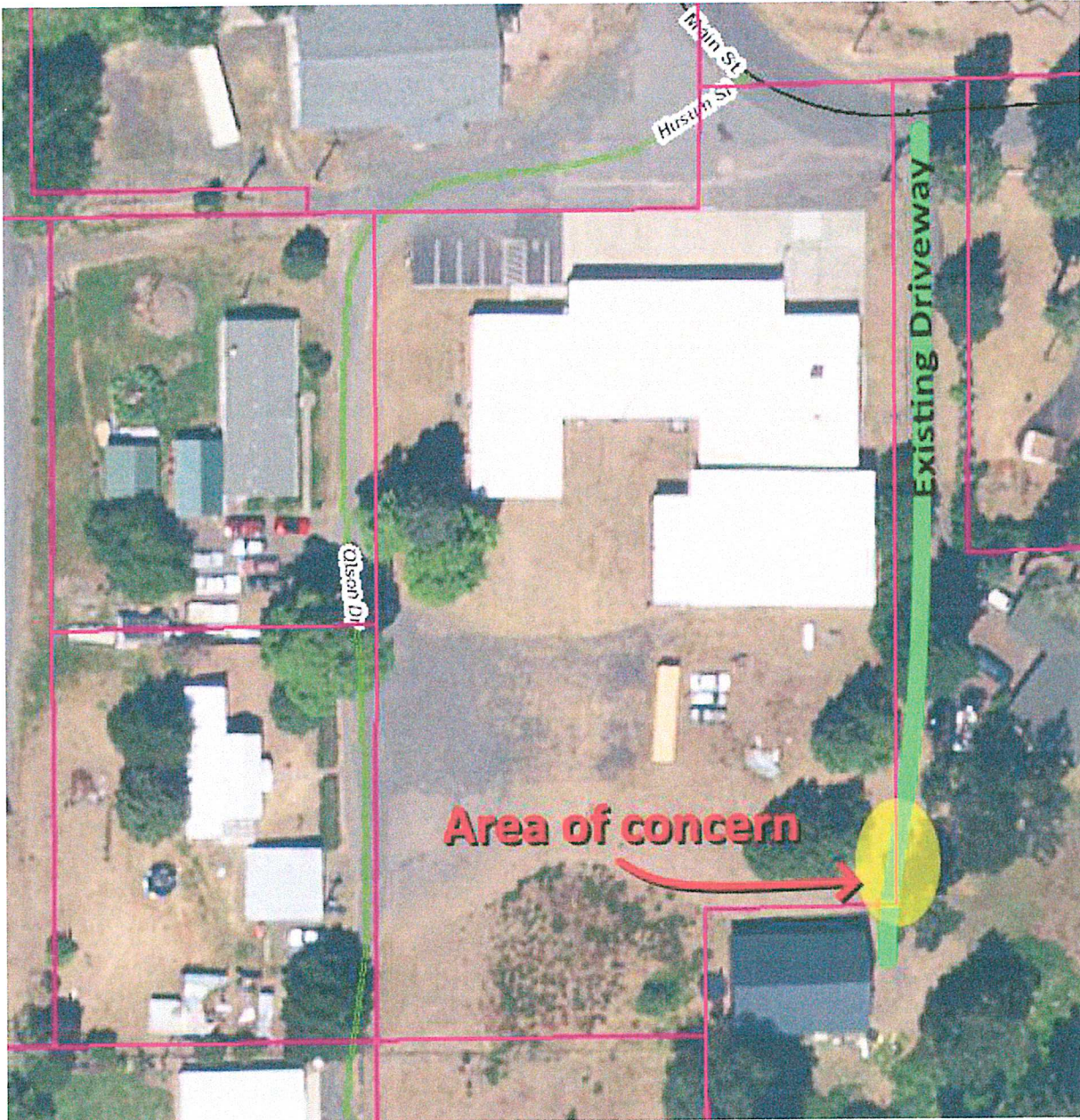


Image 3.



Image 4.

2020 Budget Calendar



9/12/2019	Thursday	3pm	Commsioners Meeting	Discuss 2020 budget and operational goals. Review District needs, station goals, priorities and operational requests.
9/18/2018	Wednesday		Officers Meeting	Meet with Station/Division officers to review goals and priorities. Review district needs, apparatus replacement schedule, individual station goals/priorities.
9/27/2018	Friday		Officer's	Budget requests submit to fire chief. ALL PROGRAMS PROJECTS
10/10/2019	Thursday	1pm	Commsioners Workshop	Budget workshop. Preliminary operating budget and revenue projections. Present preliminary capital projects / requests.
10/23/2018	Wednesday		Notice of Public Hearing to paper	Advertising deadline for budget hearing on 14 Nov. 2018.
11/14/2019	Thursday	1:30pm		BUDGET HEARING
11/14/2019	Thursday	3:00pm	Commissioners Meeting	Final review and adoption of 2020 budget
11/28/2019	Thursday		Thanksgiving	
11/30/2019	Saturday		Budget Deadline	Budget must be to the county by this date