

KLICKITAT COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 3

200 Husum Street, Husum, WA 98623

SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday August 4, 2021

Bond Project and Under Canvas

Due to COVID-19 and restrictions for in person meetings, this meeting occurred using remote online video and telephone technology. The district posted notice of how to access the meeting (Website).

Call to order: 3pm

Attendance: Commissioner Montag, Commissioner Connor, Commissioner Virts.
Chief Long, Rozalind Plumb, Jennifer McLean.

Approval of agenda:

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

1. Under Canvas

The Commissioners discussed the Klickitat County Hearings for the Under Canvas Development. The hearings occurred on July 29 and July 30, 2021, and were available to watch live. The recordings were available later, on the Klickitat County web site. KCFD3's Chief Long was involved in the hearings as the proposed development is within the Fire District boundary. During the hearings there were several negative comments and false allegations about the Fire District. Chairman Montag asked the board for their thoughts on the statements made in the hearing and asked for ideas on how to address the negative comments.

Specific comments in the hearing included:

1. KCFD3 only capable of making 50% of calls.
2. Volunteers are untrained and unable to respond in certain emergencies.
3. Falsehoods about back-room deals.

Commissioner Virts stated it is terribly troubling and offensive to denigrate the volunteers for the time and work they put in for the community for nothing.

The Commissioners have no objection to sending a rebuttal letter. The focus is to be on defending the volunteers and staff, and on the positive aspects of the district, such as the Community task force goals and forward thinking to regional services.

Suggested the letter be sent to the community councils and the newspapers.

Motion to approve a letter in response to the Under Canvas hearings be written by Chief Long and reviewed by Commissioner Virts on behalf of the board, and the letter be sent to the local newspapers and community Councils.

Made by Commissioner Connor, Seconded by Commissioner Virts, (3 yay, 0 nay) Motion passed.

2. Bond Project updates.

Chief recapped on the weekly contractors meeting. Hale Construction have been a pleasure to work with. They are moving on with both projects.

Station 32.

Foundation holes are dug. Supply chain issues have been affecting several aspects of construction. Roofing is still under our control (outside the hale contract) and needs to be coordinated.

Station 31

Office wall framing is up, plumbing and drains are being installed.

Center wall for truck bay is under final review, this will open that space.

Training room beams – looking at options to reinforce the beams. That could be a suspension system or posts.

Concrete – needs testing and certified before allowed to be poured. Had to stop one pour, but that has now been remedied.

District Purchase items

Station antennas – getting quotes

Mako air compressor – search for SCBA refilling compressor is in progress.

Radio Gas and stove shut off mechanism also being priced.

Generators- in storage and have been reviewed by electrical engineer ready for installation.

Merritt is doing a great job keeping costs down and ensuring value.

Next Meeting August 12th, 2021 3pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Virts, seconded by Commissioner Connor. (3 yay, 0 nay) motion passed.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 16:08

APPROVED BY:

Attest:

Tom Montag 8/12/21
Chairman – Commissioner Thomas Montag. (date)

Rozalind Plumb
District Secretary Rozalind Plumb

Robert Connor 9/9/21
Commissioner Robert Connor (date)

Charles Virts 8/12/21
Commissioner Charles Virts (date)

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AUGUST 4th 2021

3pm virtual room

Bond Project and Under Canvas

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86255751137?pwd=eitNay9TRENLL0pOTTdIVFpEaklwdz09>

Meeting ID: 862 5575 1137

Passcode: 246614

- **Call to Order**
 - **Attendance Roll Call**
 - **Approval of Agenda**
1. Under Canvas
Discussion on hearing process and decision on sending out a public letter. (ACTION)
 2. Bond Project updates.
Discussion and updates on construction work. (NO ACTION)
- **Next Regular meeting 08/12/2021**
 - **Motion to adjourn: (A) Time _____**