

**SKAGIT COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 17**  
**Purpose: Regular Monthly Public Fire Commissioners Meeting**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**September 9, 2024**

Commissioner Wertheimer called the **Regular Fire Commissioners** meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

**Present:** Commissioners Wertheimer (via Zoom), Murphy, and Francis; Chief Cole and Secretary Davelaar; Gabe Murphy

The minutes of August 12, 2024 were unanimously approved.

**Open:** None

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Skagit County Treasurer's General Ledger Detail Report**

August Operating Fund cash balance	\$ 47,448.13
August General Investment Fund balance	\$ 13,227.38
August Capital Fund cash balance	\$ 95,236.89
August Capital Investment Fund balance	\$ 37,369.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$193,281.63</b>

**August GIFD expenditures:**

Expenses	\$4,342.49
Payroll	\$4,409.13
VFF Stipends	\$3,140.00
<b>Expense Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,891.62</b>

<b>August GIFD Revenue</b>	Taxes collected	\$0
	Interest	\$132.59
	Donations	\$0
<b>August GIFD Total Revenue</b>		<b>\$132.59</b>

The following vouchers are approved for payment:

Fire Payments:	FP 09-001 through 9-003	\$3,165.32
Electronic Payments:	V9360-0901 through V9360-0903:	\$ 216.78
	V0591-0901 through V0591-0918:	\$ 960.39
Payroll Voucher:	PR 92024	\$4,409.13

**August Grand Total Payments** **\$8,751.62**

The motion was made by commissioner Murphy to approve the above Expenditures and Revenue Report; motion seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**Chief's Report:** See report for a list of drills and responses.

Chief Cole learned from the county sheriff that they do not currently have a contract with the county public works department for after-hours incidents. Chief Cole announced that the county EMS Supervisor has scheduled a meeting to discuss the after-hours ferry schedule and fares that are being planned by Public Works; the meeting will take place at the EMS offices at 2911 College Way in Mount Vernon on September 16, 10 am to 11 am; Commissioner Francis volunteered to accompany Chief Cole to the meeting.

Chief Cole is considering three potential new volunteer fire fighters.

Gabe Murphy, Guemes Ferry Committee, announced that there will be a meeting Thursday, September 12 at 7 pm at the Guemes Community Hall that will be a ferry-meeting overview of the current fare debacle being discussed with the county public works department. There will also be a public hearing on this subject on September 17, 3 pm, at the public works offices at 1800 Continental Place in Mount Vernon.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Land Donation—Anya Mayo is following up with the potential buyers on one of the lots, but no updates yet
- Water Softener System—invoice is prepared for commissioners' signatures and the company will be getting started soon

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm. The next regular meeting will be Monday, October 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

**Next Resolution will be 471.**

Submitted by Linda Davelaar, District Secretary

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Skagit County Fire District 17, Chairman