MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire District No. 2 was held on September 22, 2026, at Headquarters Station 28, commencing at 5:00 p.m., pursuant to proper notice. District officials in attendance, either in person or via Microsoft Teams, were Commissioners Chris Elwell, Mike Ziegler, and Robert Lawson, Fire Chief Jason Gay, Assistant Chief (AC) Ray Desmarais, Finance Manager Charles Chen, and several others as reflected on the attached attendance roster.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE. Chair Elwell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. District Secretary Eric Quinn's absence and AC Tim Zimnisky's absence were excused.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL. The agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

III. PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Presentations.

- Chief Gay presented the call-summary report. He discussed calls of note, including a residential fire.

Announcements.

- December 7-9, 2026, are the dates for the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) Fire Departments Seminar, which will take place at the Brightwater Center in Woodinville.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT. There was none.

V. CORRESPONDENCE. There were two letters from King County EMS, from Dr. Rea, acknowledging the services of numerous District responders for their outstanding care at various emergencies.

VI. I.A.F.F. LOCAL 1461 COMMENTS. There were none.

VII. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS. Chief Gay delivered the chief's report as follows:

OPERATIONAL UPDATE:

AC Zimnisky was not present this evening because he was attending BC Testing.

FIRE PREVENTION UPDATE:

AC Desmarais provided the prevention update. Kids Day was a success. Metrics are still pending, but he confirmed that all 900 hot dogs were given out. He expressed thanks to Tri-Med for their involvement and support in this annual event.

Normandy Park is seeking a new Building official.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT MEETINGS:

There is no labor-management meeting scheduled at this moment

FACILITIES:

There is a possibility that the painting for Station 19 could be completed this year. The bid was in the $41k - $43k range, with WA State Sales Tax. The Fire Chief will ask for approval, prior to moving forward. As a worst-case scenario, the cost of painting Station 19 will be included in next year's budget.

The Station 28 roof HVAC unit is 99% complete. The supports were completely rotten. It appears that the other unit will eventually have the same issue. The repair included upsizing the supports with pressure treated 6x6's that are outside the roof. The District will consider including the cost of repairing the other HVAC unit in the budget for next year, in order to get it to the same condition as the first unit.

PERSONNEL:

On September 9th, the District conducted interviews for four daytime positions. All those that were interested had great interviews. This Thursday, the Fire Chief is hoping to get a positive vote on adding an additional firefighter T.O. position at the consortium.

The District received two letters from King County EMS and the Medical Program Director (MPD) Dr. Rea regarding Nicholas Barron, Clyde Pruett, Rory Cunningham, Rudy Engstrom, Tyrone Guadiz, Steven Root, and Captain Regnier. The Fire Chief read the letters, which will be placed in each individual's personnel file.

Firefighter Andy Langbehn will be taking another job with the KCSO starting in October. Andy has been a great employee, and the Fire Chief appreciates him for being upfront about wanting the career change. The District has already hired his replacement. The District wishes Andy and his family the best and appreciates the 5 years of service he has provided to our communities.

EVENTS:

The District's annual KID's Day event was held on Saturday, September 12th. The District had excellent weather and better-than-expected turnout. Thank you to all that volunteered, which made this event very special. The Fire Chief expressed thanks to the Local for their amazing work on hot dogs, chowder, ice cream, and demos. Their efforts contributed immensely to a successful event for the kids.

OTHER:

The District received the Fee Schedule to the agreement between Valley Communications Center (ValleyCom) and KING2. This document shows the new rate for dispatch for 2027 of $61.10 per call. The Fire Chief has requested a signature acknowledging the rate by the board chair.

The next CBA negotiations meeting (#8) is scheduled for Wednesday (9/30) @ 1000 at Station 28.

There were no questions from the Board and that concluded the Chief's Report.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

The Commissioners unanimously approved the consent agenda, which included the following items:

- September 22, 2026 Chief's Report
- Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the September 8, 2026 Special Board Meeting
- Voucher Approval for September 2026:

Expense Fund: Voucher No. 260901001 through 260901081 in the amount of $2,145,434.66 and due for payment September 30, 2026

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. There was none.

X. NEW BUSINESS. There was none.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION. There was none.

XII. GOOD OF THE ORDER. Chief Gay expressed that Capt. Ryan McWade was the District's sole representative at BC Testing and performed very well. Commissioner Elwell suggested that the District have a building survey conducted to ensure that Station 28 has properly sealed windows and other measures.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT. Commissioner Ziegler moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting was adjourned at that time.

Minutes Approved: **October 6, 2026**,

Chris Elwell
Chairman

Mike Ziegler
Commissioner

Robert Lawson
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Eric Quinn (Oct 6, 2026 18:28:04 PDT)

Eric T. Quinn, District Secretary

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attendance Roster
- Agenda
- Chief's Report
- Call Type Report
- Letters from Dr. Tom Rea
- FLSA Flyer for Fire Department Seminar

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