

**EASTSIDE FIRE & RESCUE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 12, 2019  
4 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Eastside Fire & Rescue was held on September 12, 2019, at Eastside Fire & Rescue Headquarters, 175 Newport Way NW, Issaquah, WA.

**PRESENT:** Chair Alan Gothelf (City of North Bend)  
Board Director Larry Rude (Fire District 10)  
Board Director Don Smith (Fire District 10)  
Board Director Ramiro Valderrama (City of Sammamish)  
Board Director Karen Moran (City of Sammamish)  
Board Director Matt Talbot (Fire District 38)  
Board Director Chris Reh (City of Issaquah)  
Board Director Stacy Goodman (City of Issaquah)  
Board Secretary Jamie Formisano

**STAFF:** Fire Chief Jeff Clark  
Deputy Chief Greg Tryon  
Deputy Chief Richard Burke  
Budget Analyst Scott Faires

**AUDIENCE:** Commissioner Eric Hollis, Fire District 27  
Commissioner Lilli Hansen, Fire District 27  
Commissioner Anita Sandall, Fire District 10  
Commissioner Hatcher-Mays, Fire District 10  
Commissioner Chris Dahline, Fire District 38  
Fire Chief Corriera, Snoqualmie Fire Department  
Fire Chief Chris Connor, Fall City Fire Department  
City Manager Rick Rudometkin, City of Sammamish  
City Manager Bob Larson, City of Snoqualmie

**ABSENT:** None

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Gothelf called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL & FLAG SALUTE:** Chair Gothelf took roll call and led the flag salute.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** Introduced the newest member of the Administrative Assistant team, Melissa Brown, who joined the team in August.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**  
Robert Angrisano, Fall City Representative and member of the Save Fall City Campaign, provided his thoughts about the Fall City & District 10 Merger.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** In accordance with RCW 42.30.140(1)(i), the Regular Meeting was adjourned, and the Executive Session began at 4:10 p.m. to discuss with legal counsel

50 representing the agency potential litigation to which the agency is likely to become a party.  
51 The Executive Session was expected to last 30 minutes.

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53 The Executive Session was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. and the Regular Meeting of the Board  
54 was called back in session. No action was taken during Executive Session.

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56 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

57 It was noted a typo on Page 29 of the Agenda, listed on #10, which was amended to change  
58 the numbers from 6a and 6b to 8a and 8b.

59 IT WAS MOVED BY DIRECTOR RUDE, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR MORAN TO: Approve  
60 the Consent Agenda. MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

- 61 1. Agenda Bill 2019-24 (Approval of Board Minutes and Financial Recap)
- 62 2. Agenda Bill 2019-25 (Write-Off Request)
- 63 3. Agenda Bill 2019-26 (Surplus Office Furniture, Supplies, Tools, Fitness Equipment)
- 64 4. As Amended: Agenda Bill 2019-27 (LOA – Battalion Chief Reorg – Revision II)
- 65 5. Agenda Bill 2019-28 (LOA – Firefighter & Company Officers Promotional Testing &  
66 Acting Program)

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68 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

69 Finance and Administrative Committee (FAC): Included in packet. Briefed on the FAC  
70 recommendations to the EF&R Board for consideration later in the agenda.

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72 **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING:**

- 73 • Eight Recruit firefighters have been hired and are attending the SKCFTC Academy.
- 74 • Fall City Letter: A letter to the Fall City Commissioners and Fire Chiefs was sent  
75 regarding reproductions of Community Connect Cards that were littered throughout the  
76 Fall City community.
- 77 • Company Officers and Chief Officers promotional exam processes are occurring this  
78 month.
- 79 • September is National Preparedness Month and information is being distributed on social  
80 media platforms. Discussed the focus moving forward will be Wildland Preparedness.  
81 Please reach out if we can provide an overview of Wildland preparedness to HOAs or  
82 communities within your area.
- 83 • Please RSVP to the Annual Awards and Recognition Banquet.
- 84 • Briefed on two upcoming conferences; King County Fire Chief Leadership Summit  
85 September 24-26 and the WA Fire Administrative Support Conference October 7-9,  
86 2019.

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88 **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 89 1. Governance Discussion: Attorney Marc Greenough and Steve DiJulio provided an  
90 overview of a Government- nonprofit that allows for membership in the LEOFF and PERS  
91 retirement systems. Discussion included a review whether a nonprofit corporation formed  
92 by its governmental members pursuant to an interlocal agreement under RCW 39.34 to  
93 provide regional fire protection and emergency response services may be designated as  
94 a LEOFF and PERS employer for purposes of continuing its employees' participation in  
95 those plans. Discussion ensued to include a timeframe of implementation, separating  
96 entities and liabilities, civil-service commission is not required to be created,  
97 governmental status vs. nonprofit status, does not create a different taxing authority,  
98 bonds for financial needs, and property/asset ownership. The Board unanimously agreed  
99 to move forward with future discussions.

- 100 2. Agenda Bill 2019-29 (FAC Project #1 Aid 83 in Sammamish – 12 hours to 24 hours):  
101 Provided an overview of the FAC recommendation. IT WAS MOVED BY DIRECTOR  
102 RUDE, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR MORAN TO: Approve the FAC recommendation to  
103 staff a 24-hour Aid Unit at Station 83 through the 2020 budget year. MOTION CARRIED  
104 8-0.
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- 106 3. Agenda Bill 2019-30 (FAC Project #2 Aid Unit near the Snoqualmie Tribe Casino):  
107 Provided an overview of the FAC recommendation to staff an Aid Unit near the  
108 Snoqualmie Tribe Casino. IT WAS MOVED BY DIRECTOR MORAN, SECONDED BY  
109 DIRECTOR VALDERRAMA TO: Approve the FAC recommendation to staff an Aid Unit  
110 in the area of the Snoqualmie Tribe Casino for the 2020 budget year. Discussion ensued  
111 regarding the potential location of the Aid Unit post. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.
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- 113 4. Agenda Bill 2019-31 (FAC Political Communication Proposal): Provided an overview of  
114 the FAC recommendation to build a relationship with Fall City and Snoqualmie elected  
115 bodies. IT WAS MOVED BY DIRECTOR SMITH, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR  
116 VALDERRAMA TO: Approve the FAC recommendation and direct the Chief to reach out  
117 to the Snoqualmie Fire Chief and Fall City Fire Chief to begin discussions to strengthen  
118 political relationships. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.
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#### 120 **GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE DISCUSSION:**

- 121 1. Revenue and Expense Report: Included in packet.  
122 2. Incidents Activity Report: Included in packet.  
123 3. Strategic Plan Quarterly Report: Included in packet.
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#### 125 **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

126 Recognized 9/11 and those that lost their lives and the lives forever changed.  
127 [North Bend Blues Walk](#) is this weekend, September 14-15, 2019.

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129 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** In accordance with the RCWs listed below, the Regular Meeting  
130 was adjourned, and the second Executive Session began at 5:19 p.m. and expected to last  
131 fifteen minutes.

- 132 • RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) Discuss grievance proceedings
  - 133 • RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review performance of a public employee
  - 134 • RCW 42.30.140(1)(i) to discuss potential litigation
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136 The Executive Session was adjourned at 5:34 p.m. and the Regular Meeting of the Board  
137 was called back in session. No action was taken during Executive Session.

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#### 139 **CALENDAR REVIEW:**

- 140 • FAC – September 25, 2019 (**CANCELLED**)
  - 141 • EF&R Agenda Review – October 1, 2019, 4:00 p.m., HQ (FD10)
  - 142 • EF&R Awards Banquet – October 5, 2019, 6:00 p.m., Sahalee Country Club (**RSVP by 9/13**)
  - 143 • EF&R Warrant Review – October 10, 2019, 3:30 p.m., HQ (FD10)
  - 144 • EF&R Board Meeting – October 10, 2019, 4:00 p.m., HQ
  - 145 • Recruit Graduation – January 28, 2020 (*Save the Date*)
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147 **ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Gothelf adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

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