



THURSTON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS 1 & 11
**WEST THURSTON REGIONAL FIRE
AUTHORITY**



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November 10, 2025 – Governing Board Business Meeting at 18720 Sargent Rd SW, Rochester St. 1-1

Call to Order/Attendance: Commissioner Culleton called the meeting to order at 17:30.

Commissioners: Ricks, Scott, Reed, Merryman, White - Excused

Chief: N. Drake

Battalion Chief: R. Stone

Captain: M. Morales (Zoom)

Lieutenants:

Firefighters: S. Dean

Volunteer: Austin Kautz, Reece Calica, Lt. Spiegelberg (Zoom)

Admin: Admin Svcs Director/Secretary S. Hemminger, Recruit & Retention Coord. A. Reynoldson, **Union**

Representative: A. Trautman

Guests: Emily Morales, Roy & Jillian Calica

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: Chief Drake requests moving Communications item #3 Pre-Fire Plans to the December meeting.

Public Comments/Presentations: Badge Pinning – Reece Calica completed his one-year probation as a volunteer firefighter/EMT.

Labor Management: A. Trautman – Still have one FF/EMT out on long term leave.

New Business:

1. Expenditure Approval – Commissioner Scott moved to approve the total expenditure amount of \$657,617.44. Commissioner Ricks seconded the motion. Roll taken, motion carried 5-0.
2. Meeting Minutes – Commissioner Scott moved to approve the October 13, 2025, meeting minutes with confirmation under Unfinished Business action items #2 that “apparatus fund” means the apparatus replacement fund. Commissioner Merryman seconded the motion. Roll taken, motion carried 5-0.
3. Resolution 2025-006 Budget Approval – Commissioner Ricks moved to approve Resolution 2025-006 Budget Approval for 2026. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Roll taken, motion carried 5-0.
Resolution 2025-007 WTRFA Levy Certification – Commissioner Scott moved to approve Resolution 2025-007 WTRFA Levy Certification. Commissioner Ricks seconded the motion. Roll taken, motion carried 5-0.

Unfinished Business (action items): None

Unfinished Business (non-action items): None

Communications:

- Chief Drake gave a presentation on the 2025 MOBE operations.
- Chief Drake gave an update on the Maytown Station water and well issue, still exploring other options.
- Beaver Creek Property update – still waiting on an updated Enviro Study.

Department Reports:

Chief/Training/EMS/Shift Reports: Refer to printed reports.

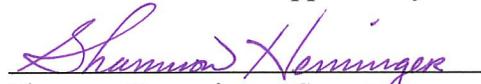
Recruit & Retention Coordinator Update: Refer to printed report.

Commissioner Reports: Commissioner Ricks reported Medic One is beginning to roll out the new medic units.

Good of the Order: Chief Drake gave an update on the BESS project special use permit was denied by Thurston County; however, they do have an opportunity to appeal the decision.

Adjournment: The board adjourned the meeting at 1833 hours.

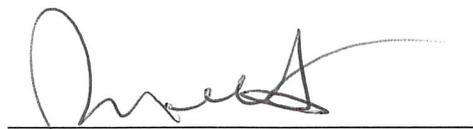
Submitted for Board approval by:


Shannon Hemminger, Secretary


Tom Culleton, Board Member


John Ricks, Board Member


Mike Reed, Board Member


Robert Scott, Board Member


Jeff Merryman, Board Member


Chris White, Board Member