

# Chiefs Report to the Board of Commissioners

Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

## Interviews

- Interviews for both the CREMT grant-funded position as well as the FF/Medic position were held today, with 7 CREMT and 6 FF/Medic applicants in total.
- Chiefs Interviews will be held Wednesday.
- Many of our staff members were involved in all segments on interviews, but for the CREMT interview panel we had a diverse group of interviewers consisting of 1 D5 member who has professional experience in crisis care, a member of a community crisis responder network, a D5 Chaplain, and the City Manager of Sultan.

## Radio Encryption

- There is a meeting tomorrow at 10am to discuss the issue of encryption with region police and fire chiefs.

## Cathys Retirement

- Friday, Feb 27 @ 5pm.

## Apparatus

- We are starting to work towards switching our current utility vehicle (2018 F-150) with the 2018 F-250 command vehicle. This is being done for a few reasons, but in short we have outgrown our current utility vehicle and need more space. There will be cost to this as we outfit both vehicles for their new specific roles, but the end product will be a utility vehicle with 3' of additional bed space and a command vehicle which is less costly to maintain.
- The new fire engine is now slated to arrive in "August", which is a big change from "November". This means that the mid-point virtual inspection will be either in early August or July. Exact dates are still up in the air, and it will take us at least 60 days after delivery to get the vehicle in service.
- There are 10 people enrolled in the Sultan Leadership Academy, which will commence on March 4<sup>th</sup> with a joint session with representatives from all agencies. The D5 specific presentation is on April 1. We are meeting Thursday to discuss agendas, but if there is desire to have one or all of the board members here on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 6PM to 8PM please let me know.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Seth Johnson

Chief, Snohomish County Fire District 5



## Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

*February 23, 2026*

Chairman Steve Fox called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m. at 32905 Cascade View Dr. Station 51 and via Zoom video conferencing. Commissioner Fox, Commissioner Chase, and Commissioner Copple were present. Chief Johnson, District Secretary Kendra Chynoweth were present. Members of staff were in attendance.

### **Additions to Agenda -**

**Public Comments** – None

### **Consent Agenda –**

Agency Benefits for February 2026 – \$55,654.63

A motion to approve **February 2026 Agency Benefits \$55,654.63** was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Chase, and passed unanimously.

**Chief's Report** – See attached.

### **Old Business –**

#### **Open Issues/Actions -**

#### **New Business –**

#### **PO# 2025 - 4014**

A motion to approve **PO# 2026-4014** for **Point of Care Ultrasound Devices and Software** was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Chase, and passed unanimously.

#### **Fire Inspections / Fire Marshal –**

Chief Johnson provided information to the Board about the role of a Fire Marshal and what tasks they perform, including an estimate of how much Fire Marshal work would be required for the City of Sultan properties. There is no staff with all the experience and training to step into that role, and if the District provided that service it would likely include hiring somebody for that role.

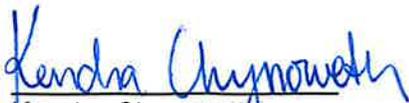
#### **Easement Request –**

Chief Johnson gave information regarding the request for an easement on the northeast corner of our property; the proposed use of the neighboring property would be a 24 space Recreation Vehicle space. Discussion was held and no action was taken.

### **Commissioner Comments –**

Commissioner Fox – Thank you for everything you continue to do every day.

**Adjourn** - Being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Chase, and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

  
Kendra Chynoweth  
District Secretary