



Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

June 8, 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 and District Secretary Kendra Chynoweth were present. Deputy Chief Duros and Deputy Chief Jarrod Spence were in attendance via Zoom. Members of staff and the public were in attendance.

Additions to Agenda –

Commissioner Fox asked that minutes for the May 7, 2026 Special Meeting be added to the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Chase is pulling May 11, 2026, for a minor correction.

Public/Staff Comments –

Michael Harris – Mill Creek / Bothell area – Michael Harris came into the Station today to thank Jon Montgomery, Preston Johnson and Jacob Perkins for saving his life February 6, 2026. Mr. Harris was buried in an avalanche for over 280 minutes.

Commissioner Chase said thank you for doing the job you do that brings people here to thank you in person. For you to have helped that family stay intact is amazing.

Consent Agenda -

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2026

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2026

Approval of Minutes/Chief's Report of May 26, 2026

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of May 30, 2026

Approval of Payroll June 2026 = \$266,863.77

Approval of Expense Fund Voucher #260601001 through #260601040 \$113,001.87

A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Chase, and passed unanimously.

Item pulled:

A motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2026 as amended was made by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Commissioner Fox, and passed unanimously.

Chief's Report – See attached.

Deputy Chief Duros – See attached.

Old Business –

Reserve Plan Draft Discussion – Chief Johnson and the Commissioners are still working on perfecting the Draft Plan. Commissioner Chase feels like we are getting closer, but we need to focus on having the actual number not just percentages. Commissioner Fox would also like for the verbiage on the 25-year aspect, taking into consideration the need to replace apparatus. The Reserve Plan Draft Discussion will be added to the Open Issues/Actions report going forward, until it is completed.

Open Issues / Actions - None



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New Business –

Newsletter agreement – Chief Johnson has found a local business, Pretty Decent Goods, to create our quarterly newsletter, includes printing and mailing with Elite Print and Mail. Commissioner Chase suggested letter-sized card stock. A motion was made by Commissioner Fox to approve the Pretty Decent Goods contract to include the cost of the contract or less with delegation for approval to Chief Johnson.

Resolution 2026-05 A resolution declaring certain property to be surplus property –

A motion to approve [Resolution 2026-05](#) was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Chase, and passed unanimously.

SCEMSA Position 7 Caucus Representation - Commissioner Fox is willing to represent District 5 in the upcoming SCEMSA Position 7 vote. Brief discussion was held in favor of Commissioner Fox representing District 5. A motion to approve Commissioner Fox representing District 5 was made by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Commissioner Copple, and passed unanimously.

Executive Session-

A motion to recess to Executive Session until 8:35 p.m. per RCW 42.30.110 (c) – To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Copple, and passed unanimously at 8:15 p.m. Commissioners Fox, Chase, Copple and Chief Johnson were present.

The Executive Session adjourned at 8:35 p.m. No actions were taken. Meeting resumed at 8:35 p.m.

Informational –

Records Request – None

MOU – Regional AFG Grant MOU – Chief Johnson presented the Board with the signed MOU between District 22 Getchel, District 24 Darrington, District 25 Oso, District 26 Sky Valley Fire, District 21 Arlington Rural, District 5 Sultan, and District 19 Silvana. District 22 is applying for funding through the Firefighters Grant Program. The purpose of the MOU is to regionalize equipment use among our staff members.

Commissioner Comments – None

Adjourn - Being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Commissioner Copple, and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.


Kendra Chynoweth
District Secretary

Chiefs Report to the Board of Commissioners

June 8th, 2026

Snoqualmie Tribes

- Last week staff participated in a tour of the lands that Snoqualmie Tribes purchased that touches our Southern border.
- All Battalion Staff joined DNR, Sky Valley, and Tribal personnel for a tour of the property, including the improvements they have done and to hear their planned use.
- Locks have been ordered for FD gate access.

Annual Employee Training

- Clear Risk Solutions, our insurer, provides a platform for training in compliance, employment lay updates and other administrative tasks that we will be expanding to use for annual training related to workplace harassment prevention, data security, ethics etc.
- Admin staff already use this program to stay up to date on new laws and special updates, and District 5 is the highest utilizer of the platform in our insurance pool.

Misc

- Fire Chiefs Association has been focused on preparation for wildland season, including continuous review of the mobilization callout process.
- I'm working with DEM to update the Scenes of Violence protocol, which was developed 5 years ago and lost traction due to COVID.
- Snohomish County is hosting CWPP Local Coordination Workgroups. In these groups, we will be able to coordinate potential grant opportunities and regional projects.
- We are preparing to put items on Publicsurplus.com, which will be co managed with FF Perkins and myself. Lots will be going up soon, and we will use facebook to notify the public to try and drum up business.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Johnson

Chief, Snohomish County Fire District 5



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DC52 Report of Activity 06-08-26

Date	Activity
	CREMT Morrison & DC Duros attended the CROA (co responder outreach alliance) conference 5/7 in Seattle and spoke about the program during a BHCore panel session.
	New protocols were released 6/1/2026. The majority of our providers have completed their protocol updates and are ready to utilize new medications and scopes of practice. Items include:
	ALS: Eye pain medication for specific eye emergencies Significant changes to the behavioral health protocol to include pharmacological calming agents administered by RASS (richmond agitation sedation score) New concentration medications for safer more effective dosing of benzodiazapines POCUS protocols BLS: Expanded scope to include tylenol administration for fever
	All Providers: Expanded scope for heat emergencies to include active, rapid cooling
	Consent form included in agenda packet for COMPASS program participation.

SCFD5 COMPASS Program Participation Agreement, Consent for Services, and Release of Liability

Participant Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Enrollment: _____

Primary Contact Number: _____

1. Purpose of This Agreement

The Snohomish County Fire District #5 (SCFD5) COMPASS Program (Connect, Outreach, Mitigation, Pathways, Alternatives, Stabilize, Support) provides voluntary, non-emergency support services intended to assist participants in addressing medical, behavioral health, and social needs that may affect their health, safety, and stability in the community.

Services may include assessment, education, coordination of care, resource navigation, advocacy, transportation, follow-up, and other supportive activities as determined appropriate by program personnel.

This agreement is intended to document informed consent, establish program expectations, and outline the rights and responsibilities of both the participant and SCFD5.

2. Consent to Participate

I voluntarily agree to participate in the COMPASS Program and to receive services that may be offered or coordinated by program personnel.

I understand that participation is voluntary and that I may decline any service or withdraw from the program at any time.

3. Nature and Scope of Services

I understand that COMPASS services are supportive and supplemental in nature.

Program personnel may assist me in understanding and implementing recommendations made by healthcare providers and other service professionals and may help me access resources intended to improve my health, safety, and stability.

SCFD5 does not guarantee that any particular service, resource, or outcome will be available or achieved.

4. Program Limitations

I understand that the COMPASS Program does not replace physicians, advanced practice providers, nurses, behavioral health clinicians, social workers, case managers, home health providers, caregivers, or other professionals involved in my care.

Participation in the COMPASS Program does not create a custodial, fiduciary, or ongoing caregiving relationship. Participants will be evaluated to assess needs, progress, determine whether program goals have been achieved, and evaluate whether continued enrollment remains appropriate.

5. Non-Emergency Transportation Authorization

I authorize SCFD5 personnel to provide transportation in district vehicles for non-emergency purposes when staff determine such transportation is appropriate and within program scope.

I understand that:

- I may be transported, or transport may be arranged on my behalf, as a program participant rather than as an EMS patient.
- Transportation may be declined, modified, or discontinued at either participant or SCFD5 discretion.
- I am expected to comply with reasonable safety instructions, including use of seat belts and other restraints.
- I agree to comply with all applicable rules, policies, and safety requirements of any transportation provider used in connection with the COMPASS Program, and I understand that such providers may refuse or discontinue transportation in accordance with their own policies and procedures.

6. Staff Discretion

SCFD5 personnel retain sole discretion to determine whether requested services or activities are appropriate, available, and safe.

SCFD5 personnel may decline, postpone, modify, or discontinue any service or activity at any time.

7. Assumption of Risk

I understand that participation in the COMPASS Program may involve transportation, in-home visits, mobility assistance, coordination with outside agencies, and other supportive activities that carry inherent and unforeseen risks, including personal injury, illness, property damage, or other losses.

I voluntarily assume all risks associated with my participation in the program.

8. Release and Hold Harmless

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I release and hold harmless Snohomish County Fire District #5, its commissioners, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, contractors, and partner organizations from any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and causes of action arising from or related to my participation in the COMPASS Program.

This release does not apply to claims arising from gross negligence, reckless conduct, or willful misconduct to the extent such claims cannot be waived under applicable law.

9. Privacy and Release of Information

I understand that my information will be used and disclosed in accordance with applicable privacy laws and district policies.

If coordination with outside agencies is necessary, I may be asked to complete a separate authorization for release of information (ROI).

10. Voluntary Participation and Program Termination

I understand that:

- Participation in the COMPASS Program is voluntary.
- I may withdraw from the program, or decline any portion of the program, at any time.
- SCFD5 may suspend or terminate my participation at any time for any reason in the sole discretion of SCFD5.

11. Acknowledgment

By signing below, I acknowledge that:

- I have read this agreement or had it read to me.
- I understand the nature and limitations of the COMPASS Program.
- I have had the opportunity to ask questions.
- I voluntarily consent to participate.
- I voluntarily assume the risks associated with participation.
- I agree to the release and hold harmless provisions contained in this agreement.

Participant Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

If Participant is Unable to Sign:

Authorized Representative Name: _____

Relationship to Participant: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SCFD5 Representative Signature: _____

Printed Name and Title: _____

Date: _____

Note: This document is a conceptual draft intended for review and revision by legal counsel and the district's insurance representatives prior to implementation.