

**South Whidbey Fire / EMS**

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# SOUTH WHIDBEY FIRE/EMS SPECIAL MEETING

**5579 Bayview Road, Langley, WA 98260**

**Saturday, October 5, 2024 10:00am**

**Minutes - Draft**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Attendees: Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Noblet, Commissioner Towers, Chief Walsh, Mary Kaye Johansen, Lt. Gabelein, Lt. Kalahiki, Chief Magallon, Chief Dilley (via zoom)

1. **Call to Order**

Commissioner Erickson calls special meeting to order at 10:09

1. **Approval of Agenda**
2. **New Business**

Review Updated Strategic Plan 2025

Goals for staff and stations.

Station 34: maintenance facility and reserve.

Station 33 and 35: volunteer staffed/engine and tender

Station 36: boat

Commissioner Noblet requests update on replacing bunker gear. Place order once budget approved

Lt. Kalahiki: Growth of Health and Wellness program for staff. Enrolled in L&I Fire Program.

SWFE to look into hosting Bainbridge Prepares and involve Homeland Security and Emergency Management Center of Excellence to bring about community awareness.

Create 1.4.5 objective for internal operations plan.

Add 1.4.6 objective for community plan

Add 1.4.7 objective for personal plan

3.2.2 remove from Strategic Plan

Commissioner Erickson calls end to Special Meeting at 12:02pm

Commissioner Erickson calls special meeting back to session 12:36 pm

**Review 5-year budget projection**

Additional staffing. Up to 24 FF by 2028

Purchase apparatus in 2027 and 2030

New station 2029

Define Marine program uses and costs. Probable a trailer-able vessel.

Communications: 2 print newsletters and monthly digital newsletter. Discern criteria that is internal appropriate. Quarterly digital should be considered

**Station 32**: County has plans and intentions for use. Surplus adjacent property proposed within the following year.

**Station 32.5:** Meet with County once property located. Obtain budget approval for property this year.

**Station 34:** Estimates being processed. No zoning issues.

**Apparatus:** replace air and light unit. Existing rescue 3 can tow larger vessels.

**2025 To Do**

2026-2030 Strategic plan.

Mission, Vision and Values re-write. Emergency Disaster Plan. Create lead or committee to facilitate.

Inject public input.

**Things to consider:** Marine Rescue, Wildland Firefighting/ Deployments. Marine taking financial priority. Commissioner Erickson- bring proposal to commissioners for approval and provide benefits and when to pursue Wildland capabilities.

Commissioner Noblet- Prepare for wildland capabilities and cache supplies in our disaster planning.

Commissioner Towers- Cost of providing consistent 4 person staffing goals.

Chief Walsh- Possibility of providing housing to help increase/retain staff. Include this in new strategic plan.

1. **Conclude**

Commissioner Noblet motions to adjourn at 1:42pm. Commissioner Towers seconded.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Erickson adjourned the Special Meeting at 1:42pm.

**N**icholas Walsh,

District Chief