

**MEETING MINUTES
MARYSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
June 17th , 2026 – 6 pm – MFD St. 62 / Zoom**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Muller called the June 17th, 2026, MFD meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Muller opened the floor for public comment.

Member of the public Ron Schoener addressed the Board with concerns regarding fireworks at Lake Goodwin. Mr. Schoener noted that, in past years, the District successfully used the electronic reader board to promote “safe and sane” fireworks practices and would like to discuss notice options for this upcoming 4th of July.

The following were in attendance:

Board of Directors

Steve Muller
Kamille Norton
Michael Stevens
Rick Ross
Tonya Christoffersen (*zoom*)
Mark James

Staff Members:

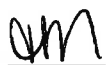
Ned Vander Pol, Fire Chief
Jeff Cole, Assistant Chief of Operations
Jennett Nielson, Deputy Chief
Chelsie McInnis, Finance Director (*zoom*)
Mike Davis, IT Manager
Josh Farnes, Fleet and Facilities Supervisor
Taylor Matsumura, Administrative Assistant

Guests:

Noel Treat – District Attorney (*zoom*)
Colin Boyle – Attorney (*zoom*)

Chairperson Muller requested a motion to approve the agenda for the June 17, 2026, MFD Regular Board Meeting.

Motion:	To approve tonight's MFD Regular Board Meeting agenda.
Made By:	James
Seconded By:	Ross
Action:	PASSED unanimously



MFD CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve minutes of the May 20th, 2026, MFD Board Meeting
- B. Approve May 2026 Financial Statements
- C. Approval of June claims and Payroll:
 - i. MFD Expense Fund
 - Voucher Numbers – 260603001 thru 260603082 \$ 337,002.91
 - EFT Transaction Numbers – 1455 thru 1459 \$ 12,232.12
 - ii. Capital Fund
 - EFT Transaction Number – 1454 \$ 9,786.00
 - iii. Apparatus Fund
 - Voucher Numbers – 260601001 thru 260601002 \$ 66,713.94
 - EFT Transaction Number – 1451 \$ 1,108.00
 - iv. MFD Payroll (excluding benefits) \$ 1,719,834.41
- D. Approval of June EMS Committee Account Recommendations
 - i. Charity/Bankruptcy/Small Balance \$ 5,304.68
 - ii. Collections \$ 40,522.18

Motion: To approve the MFD Consent Agenda in its entirety..
Made By: Ross
Seconded By: James
Action: PASSED unanimously

INFORMATION ITEMS

Communications: Deputy Chief Nielson provided an update on the 3rd Annual Future Women in EMS and Fire event, during which several women in operational first-responder roles within the Marysville Fire District participated to present and promote career opportunities for women within EMS and fire services.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Committee: Nothing to report. Next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for July 1, 2026.

Personnel Committee: Nothing to report.

Finance Committee: Nothing to report. Next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for July 30, 2026.

Operations Committee: Nothing to report.



STAFF BUSINESS

Fire Chief Report: Nothing to report.

Operations Report: Assistant Chief Cole shared the following.

- Preparations are underway for Strawberry Festival and the Fourth of July
- Aid 63 go-live scheduled for July 1, 2026

Overtime Report:

May 2026	Dollars	Total Hours	Sick Leave Used
Full-time	\$ 234,903.12	2,826.42	2,266.25
Month Total	\$ 234,903.12	\$ 2,826.42	\$ 2,266.25
YTD Totals	\$ 470,323.26	\$ 12,639.93	\$ 11,156.33

Human Resources/Personnel Report: Fire Chief Ned Vander Pol shared the following:

There are currently five applicants undergoing background investigations, including one lateral paramedic candidate. Current vacancies include entry-level firefighter and entry-level paramedic positions. Additional personnel are anticipated to begin employment in July 2026 and August 2026, with several recruits expected to attend the academy in September 2026.

Fire Prevention Report: Assistant Chief Maloney was absent from the meeting. The Fire Prevention report was included in the Board packets.

Finance Report: Finance Director McInnis reported the following.

SFY27 GEMT interim billing rates have been certified and sent to Systems Design for transports effective 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027. Based upon SFY25 final approved cost reports, the cost per transport has increased \$216 to \$4,477. The District elects to bill at 70% of the full rate, with a year-end reconciliation performed by Washington Health Care Authority to determine any over or under-payment.

Legal Counsel Report: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

None



NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Bill: Negotiation of Contract for Professional Services

The Marysville Fire District initiated a qualifications-based request, in accordance with department policy, for combined architectural and project management services to oversee several remodeling projects at Station 61. The selection committee interviewed, reviewed, and scored potential firms, and recommends entering contract negotiations with TCA Architecture & Planning, Inc.

Motion: To direct District staff to negotiate a contract for professional services with TCA
Made By: Stevens
Seconded By: James
Action: PASSED unanimously

Agenda Bill: Assistant Chief and Deputy Chief Salary and Administration Benefit Adjustments

Given the proposed collective bargaining agreement with Local 3219, staff recommended implementing targeted salary adjustments to mitigate projected pay compression between represented day-shift personnel and their supervisory counterparts. The recommendation establishes a 10% salary spread between Battalion Chief and Deputy Chief positions, and between Deputy Chief and Assistant Chief positions. Additionally, the CBA includes a provision allowing employees with 10 or more years of service to receive 60% of their accrued sick leave upon separation, provided they submit one year's irrevocable notice. Staff is recommending this benefit be extended to all non-represented personnel as an amendment to Policy 1049.

Motion: To approve the salary adjustments for Deputy Chief and Assistant Chief positions effective July 1, 2026, and additional sick leave cashout provision amended to Policy 1049 as presented.
Made By: Ross
Seconded By: Stevens
Action: PASSED unanimously

Agenda Bill: Deputy Chief Vacation Leave, One-Time Grant

The Deputy Chief of Operations was hired in 2024 with no initial vacation leave balance and currently accrues vacation at the standard rate of 14 hours per month. To address the lack of an initial balance and align benefits with those provided to other Chief Officers, staff recommends approving a one-time grant of 80 hours of vacation leave.

Motion: To approve a one-time grant of 80 vacation hours to the Deputy Chief of Operations
Made By: James
Seconded By: Ross
Action: PASSED unanimously

CALL ON BOARD

ROSS: Expressed appreciation for the opportunity to attend the WFCA Conference in Chelan, noting the value of a session focused on fire service culture. Also thanked the administrative team for their ongoing efforts, including the department's strengthened social media presence, and extended appreciation to Ron Schoener for attending the meeting and offering public comment.

JAMES: Conveyed gratitude for the opportunity to participate in the WFCA Conference in Chelan, emphasizing sessions centered on strong leadership, organizational culture, and public trust. Also thanked Ron Schoener for his attendance and remarks.

STEVENS: Reported positive experiences from the WFCA Conference in Chelan and extended thanks to Ron Schoener for his public comment.

NORTON: Thanked Ron Schoener for sharing his input and offered well-wishes for the Fourth of July.

CHRISTOFFERSEN: Expressed appreciation to Ron Schoener for voicing his concerns and stated confidence in Chief Vander Pol's efforts to work collaboratively toward a resolution.

MULLER: Thanked Ron Schoener for raising his concerns and encouraged community caution as fire season approaches.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairperson Muller called for a 10-minute executive session at 6:30 pm for the following:

- A. To discuss collective bargaining negotiations Pursuant RCW 42.30.140 (4)(a)

Chairperson Muller called for a 5-minute extension at 6:40 pm to return at 6:45 pm.

RECONVENE

The open public meeting was reconvened at 6:45 pm.

Chairperson Muller called for a motion as discussed in executive session.

Motion:	To approve the ratified Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2026 – 2028.
Made By:	Ross
Seconded By:	James
Action:	PASSED unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

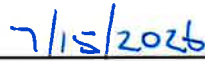
Chairperson Muller called for a motion to adjourn the June 17th, 2026, regular meeting.

Motion: To adjourn the June 17th, 2026, regular meeting
Made By: James
Seconded By: Stevens
Action: PASSED unanimously

With no further action required the June 17th, 2026, regular meeting at 6:48 pm.



Ned Vander Pol
District Secretary



Date approved





Fire Prevention Report

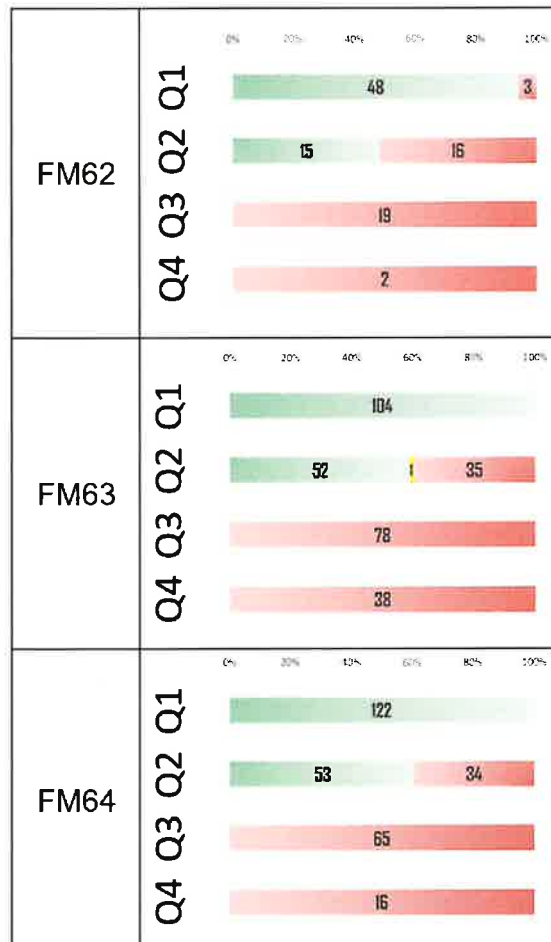
Prepared by: Thomas Maloney, Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal
June 17, 2026

- The total fire loss for 2026:
We responded to 10 fire incidents that have been investigated in 2026. The total estimated property pre-fire value is over \$10.9 million, with an estimated fire loss of over \$3.5 million.
- I apologize for missing the meeting as I am out of town.
- City council approved the ordinance change for acceptance testing on new systems not naming a third party company. It allows for more flexibility.
- Restarted meetings with all the city development members for better coordination and risk management.
- Continue to work with the North County fire marshal on Amazon and agree to the fire requirements.
- We started with Brycer on June 1st for are new reporting system for fire systems.

2026 FMO Inspections

FMO Annuals

May 2026



2026 Company Inspections

Q2	A		A		A	
	B		B		B	
	C		C		C	
	D		D		D	

Fire Loss Estimates and Cause

Marysville Fire District 2026 Fire Incident Totals										
Month	Total Investigations	Accidental	Incendiary	Undetermined	Residential	Commercial	Vehicle	Other	Total Property Value	Total Fire Loss
January	5	2	0	2	4	0	1	0	\$ 3,488,816.00	\$ 1,894,876.00
February	3	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	\$ 1,613,928.00	\$ 817,306.00
March	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	\$ 5,873,346.00	\$ 878,583.00
April	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ -	\$ -
May	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 11,210,524.00	\$ 17,000.00
June										
July										
August										
September										
October										
November										
December										
Totals	12	8	0	3	7	0	1	0	\$ 22,186,614.00	\$ 3,607,765.00

Marysville Fire District Fire Causes Ending May 2026

