

**Summary Minutes of the Special Board Meeting
March 16, 2016**

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4 Chief Meek opened the special public meeting for Snohomish County Fire District 7 at 1900 hours.
5 Commissioners Fay, Schaub, Willner, and Palumbo were present. Commissioner Waugh was absent with
6 prior notice.
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8 Chief Meek made some introductions to the public and gave some Snohomish County Fire District 7 details
9 and history. He noted that by April 8th the Standards of Cover report should be available to the public and
10 covered the property purchase history and plans for the building and response vehicles. They plan to staff three
11 employees in the new station 24/7. The primary response areas were also noted and it was estimated to be
12 running 3-4 calls per day out of this station.
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14 He opened up questions to the public. It was asked what level the EMS will be at the new station. Chief Meek
15 explained that they are looking further into that but initially it will be Basic Life Support.
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17 Eric Schaer with TCA gave a presentation on the new Fales Road fire station. Eric explained that his
18 architecture firm plans & designs *only* fire stations. There was discussion with the public regarding the fencing
19 and having it blend in and a request was made for it to fall on the inside of the tree line. Drainage concerns
20 with the wetlands and the station were discussed.
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22 It was asked when the projected start date would be and it was estimated that it may be 6-8 months for
23 permitting.
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25 Commissioner Fay assured the citizens that they have put great thought into getting this station right the first
26 time with minimal impact and disrupt to the neighbors. He requested hard questions now so that the district
27 may get it right before the final stages.
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29 It was asked if the new station would have a meeting room and it was assured there would not be one to keep
30 the area rural at the request of neighbors and keep traffic down.
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32 The retaining wall material on the right side of the property along with a fence on top of it was briefly
33 discussed.
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35 It was asked what type of lighting would be installed in the back of the station. The architect assured that the
36 lighting has to stay within the property and not shine outside the property and the expectation of the retaining
37 wall, trees and fence would also fade out any bright lights.
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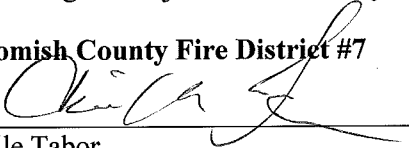
39 It was asked if Fales Road would need road improvements such as a center turn lane and flashing yellow
40 lights. It was noted that this kind of study hasn't been performed yet so it is still unknown. It is expected that
41 sidewalks would be required to be installed at the site.
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43 PIO Heather Chadwick asked how the citizens heard of this meeting so as to best communicate with them and
44 requested to gather contact information for communications going forward.
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46 Chief Meek noted that the district does sell the blue reflective address signs for those who need better visible
47 address locations and with daylight savings last week he encouraged everyone to check their smoke alarm
48 batteries.
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50 The meeting was adjourned at 2006 by Chief Meek.
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52 **Snohomish County Fire District #7**
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Secretary of the Board