

CAC Meeting Minutes, July 9, 2018, Collins Lake Fire Station--Amended

- The meeting was brought to order at 5:00 pm.
- The minutes for the May 14, 2018 meeting were approved.
- Donna Sullivan Vigil: The vigil was organized because Donna Sullivan, a Tahuya woman who recently died from of domestic violence, was relatively unknown to many community members. She was from Alaska and was a beloved figure to those who knew her. Video of the vigil is available on Mason Web TV. Chief Bakken and Assistant Chief Cooper were at the vigil and provided hot dogs, courtesy of the RFA, to those in attendance.
- Station Security Update: There is on-going updating of security of the fire stations in numerous ways, such as the installation of cameras and the better tracking of those who come and go at the premises.
- Tahuya Day: This year, the Fire Authority purchased 400 hamburgers and it was just the right amount for the occasion. By selling burgers, the North Mason Firefighters Association made \$2,854.17 for its coffers.
- Collins Lake Radio Receiver: There was an issue of inadequate radio coverage, and it was determined that the receiver needed a new antenna; other equipment to enhance the signal has been ordered as well.
- Mason County Burn Restrictions, July 7, 8:00 am: There will be no more land clearing burns and yard debris burns for now. You can use appropriate size recreational fires that are attended and charcoal briquettes can be used. (*Comment added to amend minutes: Charcoal briquettes are permitted in county but not on DNR lands nor their campgrounds. They are not permitted on DNR lands year-round because people will dump the coals on the ground when they leave.*) See the brochure "Guidelines for Outdoor Burning in Mason County," for more details. You can also contact the Authority at northmasonrfa.com or 360-275-6711 for more information.
- The Taste of Hood Canal will be Saturday, August 11 at Belfair State Park. The RFA will again sell BBQ pulled pork and tri tip sandwiches. It should be a fun time.
- Tahuya Fire Station Update: We have an estimate for the septic system, using a modified small works roster. We're working on specs for the Apparatus Bay in order to go out to bid.
- Sexual Harassment Policy Review Update: There has been 100% completion of training by RFA supervisors; there is 75% completion by staff, volunteers and employees. All will be reminded to complete the training.
- Safety Days: Over 1.000 students went through Safety Days at Belfair Elementary and Sand Hill. We were fortunate this year to have a Fire Safety and Disaster Preparedness Trailer to use from Port Ludlow Fire. PUD, Belfair Water, the Sheriff's Office, and Airlift Northwest were also present, among others.
- Fourth of July: There were multiple small brush fires from fireworks, but no injuries reported this year in the Authority.

One CAC member recommended that the RFA reconnect the ham radio at Collins Lake Station, when the radio is found, and check the radio at Station 21 as well. The RFA will look into it.

The next CAC meeting is Sept 10, 5:00 pm at the Collins Lake Station.