



PUGET SOUND MARINE FIREFIGHTING COMMISSION

Fire Departments

Anacortes
Bainbridge Island
Bellingham
Bremerton π
Edmonds
Everett π
Olympia
Port Angeles
Seattle π
Tacoma π

Foss Maritime

Inlandboatmen's Union

Marine Response Alliance

NPFVOA
Vessel Safety Program π

Olympic College

Pacific Merchant
Shipping Association π

Washington State Ferries

Washington State
Department of Ecology

Washington State
Maritime Cooperative

Western States
Petroleum Association π

ADVISORY PANEL

DHS FEMA OSHA

Public Member at Large

Recreational Boaters Association

State Fire Marshals Office

U.S. Coast Guard

Washington Public Ports
Association

Commission Members Present:

Noah Katka
Gilbert Barthe
Andy Collins

Seattle Fire Department
Tacoma Fire Department
Seattle Fire Department

Others Present:

Dan Smiley
Todd Duke
Chris Ritter
John Veentjer
Jill Lazo
JoEllen Arons
Alison Meyers
Colin Millan
Aaron Patterson
Russ Read
Rich Gale
USCG Sector Puget Sound
Sara Thompson
Todd Duke
Patrick Gallagher
David Michaelson
Brian Kirk

Sara Zeman

Admin: Marine Exchange

The September 2024 Meeting of the Puget Sound Marine Firefighting Commission was called to order by Chief Andy Collins at 1000.

Introductions followed.

Chief Collins began the meeting with a welcome and overview of the agenda.

Washington State Maritime Cooperative Presentation:

Dan Smiley presented on the Washington State Maritime Cooperative, what their role in vessel response is, what their jurisdiction is, who their members are, and what the law says. He also highlighted what this means for joint responses and command structure.

M/V Genius Star XI Lithium-Ion Battery Fire Presentation (USCG Sector Anchorage):

Captain McDonald introduced the rest of the Coast Guard attendees and highlighted the importance of marine firefighting for them.

JoEllen Arons reported on the Genius Star XI incident overview, salvage operations, and lessons learned. A discussion was also held on the particular type of batteries involved in this incident and the subject matter experts that were contacted.

Port Security Grant Requirement Update:

The full update was suspended due to the long-running meeting, but no funding was received.

STAKEHOLDER UPDATES & GOOD OF THE ORDER:

No comments.

CLOSING REMARKS:

No comments.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 1113. The next Puget Sound Marine Firefighting Commission Meeting will take place on November 12, 2024.

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Sara Zeman
Recorder