

MACECOM Governance Board Minutes

February 10, 2026
50 W Rose Nye Way 3:00 pm

Present:

Commissioner Pete Butkus, Central Mason Fire/EMS
Sheriff Ryan Spurling, Mason County Sheriff
Chief Chris Kostad, City of Shelton Police
Chief Stan Loertscher, Mason County Fire Chiefs
Commissioner Pat Tarzwell, Mason County
Chief Ed Harrold, Squaxin Police
Commissioner Kelly Frazier, Mason County Fire Commissioners
Councilmember Eric Onisko, City of Shelton
Chief Brandon Searles, Central Mason Fire/EMS
Nate Birkliid, Mason County Sheriff's Office
Trevor Severance, Mason County Sheriff's Office

MACECOM Staff:

Executive Director, Joe Schmit
Deputy Director, Carrie Robson

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Chair Pete Butkus and introductions were made around the room.
2. Councilmember Eric Onisko moved to approve the minutes of the January 2026 Governance Board meeting as presented. Commissioner Kelly Frazier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. Memo, 2026 Future Planning Discussion: Items needing discussion during this coming year were brought up to help with direction.
4. Director's Report: Executive Director Joe Schmit announced that Carrie Robson has been hired as our agency's Deputy Director from Public Safety Telecommunicator. Deputy Director Carrie Robson gave an introduction about herself. Executive Director gave a summary on a the 2025 report as well as other items concerning the center. A three-touch decision framework was also brought for discussion for the future.
5. IAFF Union MOU Executive Session (RCW 42.30.110). The Board will be going into executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 to review Memorandum of Understandings with IAFF. The executive session will be for 20 minutes. The Board came out of executive session and reconvened it's regular meeting at 4:27.

Councilmember Eric Onisko moved to send five (5) Memorandum of Understandings between Mason County Emergency Communications and International Association of Firefighters Local 2394 to the Legislative for approval. Commissioner Pat Tarzwell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

6. Good of the Order: Chief Tami Beyer is stepping down as an alternate for the Mason County Sheriff's Office. Lieutenants Nate Birkliid and Trevor Severance will share as co-alternates.

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7. Next meeting: Next meeting will be March 10, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at 50 W Rose Nye Way.
8. Adjourn: With no further business, Commissioner Pete Butkus adjourned the meeting at 4:32.

Minutes Submitted
by: Jann Lusignan

Approved by:

Pete Butkus, Central Mason Fire/EMS

Ryan Spurling, Sheriff, Mason County Sheriff

Chris Kostad, Chief, Shelton Police Department

Stan Loertscher, Chief, Mason County Fire Chiefs

Pat Tarzwell, Commissioner, Mason County

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