



## **Chief's Report**

**12.21.21**

### **Commissioner Snyder and Commissioner Woolery**

Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue honors the service of Commissioners Bill Snyder and Randy Woolery. The Commissioner's terms end on 1/1/22. We thank both for their many years of leadership and dedicated service.

### **Chief Jamie Silva**

Congratulations to Chief Jamie Silva on his retirement at the end of December. Chief Silva has been a great leader, mentor, and friend to all. SRFR will honor Chief Silva with a flag lowering ceremony on Thursday, December 30, 9:00 a.m. at Station 31.

### **Mill Creek**

On December 14, the Mill Creek City Council passed a resolution supporting the exploration of an annexation with South County RFA. The passage of the resolution came after the Mill Creek Staff evaluated service proposals from SRFR and SCRFA. Prior to an annexation, the SCRFA Commissioners will have to formally approve the annexation. The voters in Mill Creek will also have to approve an annexation. An April annexation vote is being considered.

There are still many hurdles ahead for SRFR's termination of service in Mill Creek to occur. Regardless of the outcome, we will continue to be a strong, progressive, regional leader in fire and EMS. No jobs will be lost and at the end of the day, we will continue excellent service to our communities in Clearview, Monroe, and Lake Stevens. We will keep you posted on future developments.

### **A Bright Future**

With the winter holidays upon us and as 2021 draws to an end, I wish to thank every member of our team and the great communities we serve for your partnership and collaboration. We have a bright future! SRFR has amazing people, great communities to serve, financial stability, accreditation in 2022, fire stations to build, and more great things on the horizon. I am grateful to our incredible team!

I look forward to working with all of you in 2022 and beyond!

Take care and stay safe,

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief