

Fire District #6 New Winthrop Fire Station Location Determination

At the 12 November 2018 regular meeting of the OCFD 6 Board of Commissioners, the Commissioners unanimously approved 33 Horizon Flats Road as the location for the new District fire station. The Commissioners came to this conclusion after careful consideration of multiple potential sites and with help from a site committee made up of citizens from throughout the District. The committee report may be viewed on the Districts website, okanogancountyfd6.com.

Based on information in the report the Fire Commissioners decided on 2 locations that would best meet the needs of the District, the Horizon Flats Road property currently owned by the District and a property on White Avenue across from the Little Star Montessori School. The Board selected the currently owned Horizon Flats property based on the following: the currently owned property is 5 acres compared to 3.2 acres on White Ave. thereby providing more space for current and future needs, the White Ave. property is subject to the Winthrop Westernization Codes which would add more requirements and potential cost to site construction and operation, purchase price of White Ave. property would be more than what the Fire District could sell their currently owned property for, and the Town of Winthrop is negotiating to purchase part of the White Ave. property for a new library.