"Portland Fireboat Names And Specifications"

Source: Various

- **George Williams** The Mayor of Portland 1902-1905
- **David Campbell** Portland's Fire Chief who would die in the Union Oil Fire on June 26, 1911.
- Mike Laudenklos Portland's Assistant Chief who was hired on May 1, 1885 and died of bronchial pneumonia on April 18, 1923. While not a service-connected death, his steadfast service warranted recognition.
- **Karl Gunster** A Portland Fire Lieutenant who died on June 15, 1921 of smoke inhalation at the May Apartments fire. He was also the standing President of the Portland Firefighters Association at the time of his death.
- Carl Prehn A Portland Police Captain who served as Harbormaster when the Harbor Patrol was under the authority of the Portland Police. The boat was originally called the "Mulkey" and came to Portland Fire when the Harbor Patrol was transferred in 1973.
- LV Jenkins A Portland Police Chief from 1919 to 1933 and again from 1946 to 1948. The boat was a Police Harbor Patrol boat transferred to Portland Fire in 1973.
- **Virgil Spencer** A Portland Fire Lieutenant who died on October 29, 1966 in a dust explosion at the BP Johns Furniture Company fire.
- **Vern Buss** A Portland Fire Battalion Chief who innovated the Marine Program for Portland Fire. His service extended from 1952 to 1983.
- Eldon Trinity This boat was commissioned on December 7, 2010 and named for two children who were thrown from the Sellwood Bridge by their Mother. Three-year old Eldon Smith would die, while seven-year old Trinity Smith would survive.
- **Kwansum** Named in the Chinuk language for "Always Ready, Always There"
- **Skukum Ats** Named in the Chinuk language for "Strong Sister"

Skukum Ats (2015)

• Purchased 2015

• Cost \$2,500,000

• Builder Oregon Ironworks

• Apparatus #

• Hull Aluminum

Length 55 feet
Beam 15 feet
Draft 3 feet
Gross Tonnage 45 Tons

• Net Tonnage ?

Propulsion Engines Two Series MTU 2000 M84L Diesel Engines with jet pumps

 Pumping Engines Two Series MTU 2000 M84L Diesel Engines driving two Hale 8FGF pumps rated at 3,500 gpm each

• Pump Rating 7,000 gpm @ 150 psi

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Eldon Trinity (2010)

Purchased 2010
Cost \$148,505
Builder Munson
Apparatus # 53

Hull

• Length 32 feet

Beam

Draft

Gross Tonnage

• Net Tonnage

Propulsion Engines

Pumping Engines

Pump Rating Rescue Boat Only

Vern Buss (1996)

Purchased 1996Cost \$480,000

• Builder Rozema Boat Works

• Apparatus # 51

Hull AluminumLength 46 feet

Beam 15 feet 6 inchesDraft 4 feet 6 inches

Gross Tonnage 18 tons Net Tonnage 15 tons

• Propulsion Engines Two Detroit Diesel 6V92TA Engines with two screws

• Pumping Engines Two Detroit Diesel 6V92TA Engines driving two centrifugal pumps rated at 2,050 gpm each

• Pump Rating 4,100 gpm

George Williams (second 1985)

Purchased 1985Cost \$208,950

Builder Boat Works Northwest

• Apparatus # 50

Hull Aluminum
Length 40 feet
Beam 12 feet
Draft 3 feet
Gross Tonnage 10 tons

• Net Tonnage

• Propulsion Engines Two Detroit Diesel 6-71TI Diesel Engines with twin screws

• Pumping Engines Two Detroit Diesel 6-71TI Diesel Engines driving two centrifugal pumps rated at 1,900 gpm each

• Pump Rating 3,800 gpm

Virgil Spencer (1972)

Purchased 1972-01-07
 Cost \$147,889.11
 Builder Rohr Corporation

Apparatus # 54

Hull AluminumLength 43 feet

Beam 16 feetGross Tonnage 32.57 TonsNet Tonnage 22.00 Tons

• Engines Two Detroit Diesel 12V71N400

• Propulsion Twin Jacuzzi Jet PTO driven from engine pumps

• Pump Rating 6,000 gpm @ 150 psi

• Turrets 2

LV Jenkins (1968)

Purchased 1968-04-15Cost \$39,992.18

• Builder Pacific Tank and Construction Company

Apparatus # 53Hull Steel

Length 33 feet 5 inches
Beam 11 feet 1 inch
Draft 3 feet 7 inches
Gross Tonnage 9.85 Tons
Net Tonnage 6.00 Tons

Engines Two Detroit Diesel 453N
Pump Rating 1,000 gpm @ 120 psi

• Turrets 1

Carl Prehn (1957)

Purchased 1957-03-13Cost \$55,079.57

• Builder Albina Engine and Machine

Apparatus # 51Hull Steel

• Length 56 feet 2 inches

• Beam 16 feet

Draft 4 feet 6 inches
Gross Tonnage 32.66 Tons
Net Tonnage 22.00 Tons

• Engines Two Detroit Diesel 8V71N

• Pump Rating 1,500 gpm @ 150 psi

• Turrets 2

Jack H. Luihn (1936)

• Purchased 1936-04-23

• Cost

Builder Victor Wiegand Strode and Fred Jones

Apparatus # ?Hull ?

Length 24 feetBeam 8 feetDraft ?

• Gross Tonnage 1,250 pounds

• Net Tonnage ?

• Propulsion Engines Ford Flathead V8 Engine

• Pumping Engines none

• Purpose Water Ambulance

David Campbell (second 1927)

Purchased 1927-02-01Cost \$103,615.16

• Builder Baker Construction Company

Apparatus # 52Hull Steel

Length 87 feet 6 inches
Beam 20 feet 6 inches
Draft 7 feet 6 inches
Gross Tonnage 80.5 Tons
Net Tonnage 54 Tons

• Propulsion Engines Two V12 525M Cummins Diesels with twin screws

• Pumping Engines Two V12 525M Cummins Diesels driving 4 centrifugal pumps rated at 3,500 gpm each

• Pump Rating 14,000 gpm @ 150 psi

Mike Laudenklos (1927)

Purchased 1927-02-01Cost \$103,615.16

• Builder Baker Construction Company

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Karl Gunster (1927)

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• Builder Baker Construction Company

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David Campbell (first 1913)

Purchased 1913Cost \$?

• Builder Smith and Watson Ironworks

Apparatus # ?Hull ?

• Length 125 feet

Beam ?
Draft ?
Gross Tonnage ?
Net Tonnage ?

• Propulsion Engines Steam

Pump Rating 12,000 gpm

George Williams (first 1904 to 1928)

Purchased 1904-02-27Cost \$60,000+

Builder Willamette Ironworks

• Apparatus # ?

• Hull Wood

Length 105 feet 6 inches
Beam 25 feet 8 inches
Draft 7 feet 8 inches
Gross Tonnage 194 Gross Tons
Net Tonnage 38 Net Tons

• Propulsion Engines Two Taylor Water Tube boilers (400 hp) with twin screws

• Pumping Engines Two sets American Fire Boat pumps

• Pump Rating 6,380 gpm

• Turrets 19

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