To: General Membership

**From:** Secretary

**Subject:** Minutes of the North Okaloosa Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners

Monthly Meeting.

Date: September 16, 2021

Members Present: Craig Shaw, Chairman, Commissioner Group IV

Todd McGirr, Commissioner, Group I

Dan Bowers, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer Commissioner, Group II

Rodney Lancaster, Commissioner, Group V At Large

Willie G. Terrell, Commissioner, Group III

Advisors Present: Jonathan Holloway Legal Council

Dennis McMaster Chief

Annette Rayburn, Administrator

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Shaw at 5:00 p.m.

**<u>Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance:</u>** The Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer were given.

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u> Commissioner Bowers motioned to approve the agenda Commissioner McGirr seconded the motion. Vote 5/0.

<u>Approval of Minutes of August 19, 2021:</u> Motion to approve the minutes as written Commissioner McGirr, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lancaster. Vote 5/0.

## **Old Business:**

<u>New Business:</u> Chairman Shaw let the board know that the state is looking at all special districts and he has received e-mails recently saying that they may be doing independent reviews. There is nothing happening at this time.

The first two months have been billed for the contract.

## **Advisory Reports:**

## **Attorney Report- None**

Chief's Report – Chief McMaster briefed the report as follows- personnel which now lists 2 management, 15 paid firefighters, 0 part-time firefighter, 5 relief firefighters, 1 certified volunteer and 1 support personnel, there were 262 calls for the month August 2021. Chief McMaster let the board know that he is going down to look at the new truck on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Chief McMaster spoke with the board about purchasing a 2<sup>nd</sup> truck and Bunker gear. Commissioner Bowers made a motion to purchase 2 trucks instead of one, and the bunker gear proposal presented. Truck price for 2 \$62,267.20 and gear prices of \$30,504.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner McGirr.

Vote 5/0. Chief McMaster also went over a proposal for a new rescue thru Ten-8 and a skid unit, the price is \$262,203.24. Commissioner Bowers made a motion to purchase the rescue and skid unit. 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner McGirr. Vote 5/0. Chief McMaster said that he is still waiting on other quotes. Chief McMaster reported that 4 of the 6 personnel have been hired for the transition to 24-hour ARFF. 3 Fire-fighters have completed the ARFF refresher. NOFD assisted the City of Crestview in the 9/11 remembrance event. The surplus project is ongoing and we are beginning to reach out to Alabama departments. Motion to accept the Chiefs report Commissioner McGirr, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lancaster. Vote 5/0

**Secretary/Treasurer's Report-** Commissioner Bowers said to take a look at the combined year to date and the district has district has done a very good job. Motion to approve the Treasurers report Commissioner McGirr, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lancaster. Vote 5/0.

## Commissioner Comments: Set Agenda for next meeting October 20, 2021 The Meeting was adjourned at 5:41 pm. Craig Shaw

Chairman