

To: General Membership

From: Secretary

Subject: Minutes of the North Okaloosa Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners
Monthly Meeting.

Date: April 21, 2022

Members Present: Craig Shaw, Chairman, Commissioner Group IV
Todd McGirr, Vice Chair Commissioner, Group I
Dan Bowers, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer Commissioner, Group II
Rodney Lancaster, Commissioner, Group V At Large
Thomas Ashworth, Group III

Advisors Present: Dennis McMaster Chief
Annette Rayburn, Administrator

Advisors Absent: Jonathan Holloway Legal Council

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

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer were given.

Approval of Agenda: Commissioner McGirr motioned to approve the agenda Commissioner Lancaster seconded the motion. Vote 5/0.

Approval of Minutes of March 17, 2022

Motion to approve the minutes as written Commissioner Lancaster, 2nd Commissioner McGirr. Vote 5/0.

New Business:

a. Interlocal agreements with Baker and Almarante – Chief McMaster brought the agreements to the board which were expiring next month. The only difference with the new agreements is that they will be lasting for 3 years vs. the one year on the previous. Commissioner McGirr made a motion to go forward with the agreements, 2nd Commissioner Bowers. Vote 5/0.

Old Business:

a. Contract update: The GFR from Lockheed Martin came by for their Semi-annual inspection and found no problems.

b. Impact Fees: A resolution was brought to the board with the wording to be put on the November 8th 2022 ballot for Impact Fees. Chairman Shaw reminded the board that this is only step one in the process. If it is approved then we have to bring it to our state representative to move forward. Motion to approve the language on the resolution Commissioner Lancaster, 2nd Commissioner McGirr. Vote 5/0.

Public Input: None

Advisory Reports:

Attorney Report- None

Chief's Report – Chief McMaster briefed the report as follows- personnel which now lists 2 management, 21 paid firefighters, 4 relief firefighters, and 1 support personnel, there were 253 calls for the month March 2022. We did do a few standbys for Lockheed Martin 6.5 hours.

We are still waiting on equipment to arrive to outfit the 2 new Command Vehicles.

The last few storms we have had Station 82 has had some leaks develop, we are awaiting quotes for the repairs.

We did receive our funding from the state for the extractor.

Fire-fighter Larry Loiocano was selected by his peers to be nominated for a county wide first responder award.

2 Fire-fighters attended and completed South Alabama Fire Conference.

Commissioner Bowers asked the Chief what equipment are we needing? Chief McMaster said that he would like to get a second set of gear for the Fire-fighters. Also, when we purchased our air-packs, the NFPA changed the code on the buddy breathing system, now they went to an adapter that can be used only on the newer air-packs this adapter is not yet available. Chief McMaster said that he will be working on figures to get these purchases.

Motion to accept the Chief's report Commissioner McGirr, 2nd Commissioner Bowers. Vote 5/0.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report- Commissioner Bowers asked everyone to take a look at the Company Snapshot our bank accounts are increasing. The bank account will start to dwindle some now that the 911 funds have come in for the year. Commissioner Bowers said that he does not see anything to be worried about. We can expect Dawn our Auditor to be coming in soon. Motion to approve the Treasurers report Commissioner McGirr, 2nd Commissioner Lancaster. Vote 5/0.

Commissioner Comments:

Chairman Shaw said that he and the Chief are working on insurance for the 3 management staff members. They have to come off of Company insurance. If you remember when we took the other employees off the insurance, they were given pay to compensate for the change. Chairman Shaw said that he does not have the figures yet but will get them.

Commissioner McGirr asked for the May meeting to be changed, the Commissioners discussed it and came up with the 24th.

Set Agenda for next meeting May 24th, 2022

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Craig Shaw
Chairman