

To: General Membership

From: Secretary

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

Date: July 18, 2024

Members Present: Craig Shaw, Chairman, Commissioner Group IV
Dan Bowers, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer Commissioner, Group II
Rodney Lancaster, Commissioner, Group V At Large
Thomas Ashworth, Group III
John Edwards - Group I

Advisors Present: Dennis McMaster Chief
Annette Rayburn, Administrator
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 Ashworth motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Vote 5/0.

Approval of Minutes of June 20, 2024

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

Public input: None

New Business: None

Old Business:

- a. **Contract update:** Chairman Shaw said that he has nothing new to report.
- b. **County Contract:** Attorney Holloway told the board that they are still working on the agreement with the County to cover Dorcas Fire District.

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 2 support personnel, there were 254 calls for the month of June 2024.

Chief McMaster informed the board that the new rescue is moving forward. Expecting 90 days for completion. He also informed the board that there is a water leak at Station 83 and they are unsure of the location. The A/C replacement at Station 83 is complete.

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Motion to accept the Chiefs Report Commissioner Bowers, 2nd Commissioner Lancaster. Vote 5/0

Chief McMaster brought up to the board about possibly sponsoring a scholarship for a high school senior who would be interested in the going to the academy by using the funds in the grant aid to others. Commissioner Bowers said that he did not agree unless they pay us back with service for an agreed amount of time. Chairman Shaw said that he would like to get something set up for some kind of program for Fire Fighters.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report- Commissioner Bowers reviewed the combined budget and said that there is not anything that bothers him on the P&L. We are in good shape and that is all he has.

Motion to approve the Treasurers report by Commissioner Lancaster, 2nd Commissioner Edwards. Vote 5/0.

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Edwards said that he spoke with Auburn Water and they are working on a loop and add larger lines and to be able to serve the area.

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:33pm.

Craig Shaw
Chairman