

**NORTH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
May 23, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Board members present (with social distancing, and conference call in place) were Director Mr. Tiberghien; Director Mrs. Wilson; Director Mr. Anthony; Chief Keith Goldstein; Battalion Chief Mark Kuehl; Medical Officer Jennifer Swatek (not present); Shop Stewart Kurt Lubiewski; District Counsel Dan Bruntrager. Director Mr. Tiberghien called for all in attendance to stand, and remove their hats, and silence their cell phones for the Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Chief Goldstein presented the minutes from May 16, 2023, Open Session . Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the minutes of the Open Session from May 23, 2023, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Chief Goldstein presented the Agenda for May 23, 2023, Open/Closed Session. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the May 23, 2023, Open/Closed Session agenda as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE WARRANTS: Chief Goldstein presented the Warrants for May 23, 2023. General Revenue: \$32,717.04; Bond (Capital Projects 2020): \$356,322.04; Dispatch (Communications) \$655.38; Health and Welfare: \$7,793.18; Pension: \$00; Debt Service (Bond Retirement): \$00; EMS: \$903.52; **for a total of \$398,391.16**, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the Warrants for May 23,2023, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chief Goldstein reported on a letter that he received from Christian Hospital N.E. (CHNE) regarding a rental agreement by the district. Chief Goldstein stated that they don't negotiate in an open forum, and if the district would not reconsider doing this in a closed forum that they would not be present. Director Mr. Tiberghien explained that this fire district is transparent and that we do our negotiation with Local 2665, and other business in an open forum. There are some things that we are bound by the State Statues that mandates us to go to a closed forum. This has been going on since 2020 related to CHNE renting space from North County Fire & Rescue Fire Protection District which they continue to refuse. BJC has a rental agreement with the Sullivan Fire Protection District for housing EMS in their fire stations. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to have CHNE vacate the two (2) fire stations on May 31, 2023, by noon. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Chief Goldstein reported on updates regarding the new building. Chief Goldstein reminded everyone that there are five Tuesdays in May 2023 and that the Board will not be meeting on May 30, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

Ordinances: None.

Resolutions: R-2023-02. Chief Goldstein presented Resolution R-2023-02 which is related to John Hancock. This will allow anyone we hire from another Fire District or Department to rollover any contributions from a

previous plan to our Pension Plan. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Anthony, to approve R-2023-02 as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Goldstein reported that our Audit that was scheduled for May 23, 2023, has been moved to June 13, 2023. Chief Goldstein reported that Battalion Chief Mark Kuehl was just in a minor motor vehicle accident (with no one hurt) This was not our fault.

BATTALION CHIEF'S REPORT: Battalion Chief Mark Kuehl no report.

MEDICAL OFFICERS REPORT: No Report.

SHOP REPORT: Shop Steward Kurt Lubiewski no report.

LAWYERS REPORT: No Report for Open Session.

ACCOUNTANT REPORT: No Report.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT: Director Mrs. Wilson had nothing to report. Director Mr. Anthony asked that everyone to please :” Slow Down, Be Kind, and God Bless Our First Responders”, and “God Bless America”. Director Mr. Tiberghien reminded everyone that if they have question regarding the board meeting to please email the Chief or Director Mr. Tiberghien ([kgoldstein@nocofr.com](mailto:kgoldstein@nocofr.com) or [rtiberghien@nocofr.com](mailto:rtiberghien@nocofr.com)). Also, you can call in at every board meeting, and listen in.

CITIZENS COMMENT: Chief Goldstein reported that he received no emails, text messages, and that no one is in the audience tonight.

With no further discussion at 5:20 PM Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson, to adjourn to a Closed Session siting RSMO; 610 021 (1), (3). Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mrs. Wilson. Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in person or by conference call on Tuesday June 6, 2023, at 5:00 PM by conference call in at (314) 899-5515 Pin # 1144. At 6:32 p.m. Director Mr. Tiberghien opened the regular Board Meeting back up (no one present) and announced the two (2) votes that were taken in Closed Session.

  
Director Richie Tiberghien

  
Director Kevin Anthony

Director LaChrista Wilson