

**NORTH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 25, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Board members present (with conference call in service) were Director Mr. Tiberghien; Director Mrs. Austin (by phone); Director Mr. Anthony; Chief Keith Goldstein; Battalion Chief (not present); Captain Medical Officer Jennifer Swatek (not present); Shop Stewart Kurt Lubiewski; District Counsel Dan Bruntrager; District Accountant Rick Rognan (not present). 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 February 18, 2025, Open Session,. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin, to approve the minutes of the Open Session from February 18, 2025, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Chief Goldstein presented the Agenda for February 25, 2025, Open Session, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin, to approve the Open Session Agenda for February 25, 2025, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE WARRANTS: Chief Goldstein presented the Warrants/Board of Directors/1st half Clothing, Holiday and Paramedic Payroll for February 25, 2025. General Revenue: \$ 15,664.75 Bond (Capital Projects 2024): \$ 35,113.78; Dispatch (Communications) \$ 00; Health and Welfare: \$ 6,002.07; Retirement Veba \$ 1,585.64: Pension: \$ 00; Debt Service (Bond Retirement): \$ 00; EMS: \$ 299.90 **for a total of \$ 58,666.14**, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin to approve the Warrants/ Board of Directors/1st half Clothing, Holiday and Paramedic Payroll for February 25, 2025, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chief Goldstein presented a Post Issuance Tax Compliance Service Proposal from Gilmore Bell. Chief Goldstein explained that this service would be monitoring our investment related to Bond Money. District Counsel Dan Bruntrager also spoke about how important it is to have this service for the district. With no further conversation, Director, Mr. Tiberghien made a motion, seconded by Director Mr. Anthony to approve the Gilmore Bell Post Issuance Tax Compliance Service Proposal. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Anthony.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

Ordinances: None

Resolutions: None

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Goldstein reported the new 2025 Chevy Tahoe has arrived and spoke about the purchasing of vehicles under State Bid. Chief Goldstein spoke about the importance of upgrading our fleet with

low mileage along with trading vehicles instead of selling them outright. The Fire District saved the Taxpayers Thirty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$ 32,000.00) on this purchase.

BATTALION CHIEF'S REPORT: No Report

MEDICAL OFFICERS REPORT: No Report

SHOP REPORT: Shop Steward Kurt Lubiewski had nothing to report.

LAWYERS REPORT: No Report.

ACCOUNTANT: No Report.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT: Director Mrs. Austin had no report. Director Mr. wished Everyone a Good Evening, and stated that Prayers and Thoughts to Director Mrs. Austin ,and Family. Director Mr. Anthony reminded everyone if you can't say something nice to someone, just don't say anything to them. Director Mr. Anthony asked that we all be Safe, and take care of the elderly, and our younger people, "God Bless Everyone, and Stay Safe", and "God Bless America". Director Mr. Tiberghien reminded everyone that if they have questions regarding the board meeting to please email the Chief or Director Mr. Tiberghien (kgoldstein@nocofr.com or rtiberghien@nocofr.com). Also, you can call in at every board meeting and listen to (314) 899-5515 Pin # 1144.

CITIZENS COMMENT: There were two (2) Citizens present who wished to address the Board of Directors.

Mayor James Thomas (BFN):

- "Hello Everyone" Thank You for everything you do.
- As Mayor of BFN you have my "Full Support"
- I appreciate the Fire Districts Due Diligence and Transparency.


Alderman Wesley Gillespie (BFN):

- It's my first time attending a Fire Board Meeting , and I also appreciate the Due Diligence and Transparency. "I will come back."

With no further discussion at 5:11 PM Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mr. Tiberghien, to adjourn Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony. Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in person or by conference call on Tuesday March 4, 2025, at 5:00 PM..


Director Richie T. Berghien


Director Kevin Anthony


Director Yolanda Austin