

NORTH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 24, 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. Austin; Director Mr. Anthony; Chief Keith Goldstein; Battalion Chief Wesley (Wes) Morgan; 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 October 17, 2023, Open Session. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin to approve the minutes of the Open Session from October 17, 2023, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Chief Goldstein presented the Agenda for October 24, 2023, Open Session, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin, to approve the October 24, 2023, Open Session agenda as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE WARRANTS: Chief Goldstein presented the Warrants for October 24, 2023. General Revenue: \$3,934.96; Bond (Capital Projects 2020): \$950.00; Dispatch (Communications) \$.00; Health and Welfare: \$2,404.21; Pension: \$00; Debt Service (Bond Retirement): \$00; EMS: \$13,576.77.; **for a total of \$21,050.77**, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin to approve the Warrants for October 24, 2023, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Chief Goldstein reported on the updates on the new building projects. Chief Goldstein reported that there will be no Board Meeting on October 31, 2023, due to five (5) Tuesdays.

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

Ordinances: None.

Resolutions: None

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Goldstein reported that he spoke with the crews who responded to the fire in Alexandria Place related to State Rep. Yolanda Fountain Henderson's remark at our October 17, 2023, board meeting, and at the October 23, 2023, City of Jennings Council meeting related to a fire hydrant that failed on this fire. Crews told Chief Goldstein that a hose line broke that was on the hydrant, and they had to shut the hydrant down to replace the hose line. It's rumors like this that give citizens a negative stance with other political subdivisions within their communities. Chief Goldstein reminded the board that if we are going to seek a "No Tax Rate Bond Increase" for April 2, 2024, we must have all our documentation into the Board of Election (BOE) by January 23, 2024. Chief Goldstein stated that he would like to see this bond issue put on the ballot so we can give some relief to our general operating budget. Chief Goldstein presented two quotes for

replacing the broken slab of concrete driveway at 9207 Bellefontaine Road. Quotes were received by Hawkins Concrete, and Poetlker Construction. After reviewing the quotes Director Mr. Tiberghien made a motion, seconded by Director Mr. Anthony, to approve the Poetlker Construction quote which was under \$10,000.00 dollars. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin. Chief Goldstein reported on upcoming Community Engagements: October 28, 2023 (Truck or Treat at 2545 Dorwood Drive 1-3PM, Fall Festival 9635 Lewis/Clark Blvd 3-6PM) October 31-2023 (Drive thru candy handout City of Bellefontaine Rec. Center 6-8PM).

BATTALION CHIEF'S REPORT: Battalion Chief Wesley (Wes) Morgan no report

MEDICAL OFFICERS REPORT: No Report.

SHOP REPORT: Shop Steward Kurt Lubiewski reported on Local 2665 Hendel's Event that was held on October 22, 2023. This was a great event.

LAWYERS REPORT: District Counsel stated that he was sorry that he missed the event this year due to a family engagement.

ACCOUNTANT REPORT: No Report.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT: Director Mrs. Austin wished everyone a "Good Evening" Thank you Chief and all the Firefighters for what you do. I attended Hendel's event, and it was a good time seeing other elected officials, and my daughter was in town and attended along with the family. Director Mrs. Austin stated that she turned over to the Chief the TIF's that are still active in the City of Jennings. Director Mr. Anthony stated that citizens should come to our meetings and ask questions to get the straight answers before attending other meetings and speaking out on mis information that you heard or seen on social media. Director Mr. Anthony hopes that State Rep. Yolanda Fountain Henderson doesn't give false information when she is representing her congressional district in Jefferson City like she does in the Council meeting in the City of Jennings. Director Mr. Anthony stated he spoke with Sylvester Taylor, who is with IBEW Local 1 as the Minority Director for this region and thanked the Fire District for having a minority participation on our new construction projects. Director Mr. Anthony asked that everyone please take care of our young and elderly and work on our negative behavior please" Slow Down, Be Kind, God Bless", 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 in.

CITIZENS COMMENT: Chief Goldstein reported that he received no emails, and no citizens were present at this meeting.

With no further discussion at 5:28 PM Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Austin, to adjourn Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, Director Mrs. Austin. Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in person or by conference call on Tuesday November 7, 2023, at 5:00 PM.

Director Richie Iberghein



Director Kevin Anthony



Director Yolanda Austin

