

NORTH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS March 15, 2022

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 Wes Morgan; Medical Officer Jennifer Swatek (not present); Shop Stewart Kurt Lubiewski (not present); District Accountant Rick Rognan (by phone). Director Mr. Tiberghien called for all in attendance to stand, and remove their hats, and silence their cell phones for the Pledge of Allegiance. Director Mr. Tiberghien asked for a moment of silence for twelve (12) State Emergency Services of Ukraine Firefighters who were killed in the line of Duty.

<u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES</u>: Chief Goldstein presented the minutes from March 8, 2022, Open/Closed Session. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the minutes of the Open/Closed Session from March 8, 2022, as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

<u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u>: Chief Goldstein presented the Agenda for the March 15, 2022, Open Session. Director Mr. Anthony made a motion to amend the agenda allowing for the accountants report to be first, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the March 15, 2022, Open Session Agenda with the amendment. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE WARRANTS: Chief Goldstein presented the Warrants for March 15, 2022. General Revenue: \$11,565.08; Bond (Capital Projects 2020): \$00; Dispatch (Communications) \$00; Health and Welfare: \$68,721.52; Pension: \$00; Debt Service (Bond Retirement): \$00; EMS: \$647.18; for a total of \$80,933.78, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the Warrants as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>: Chief Goldstein reminded everyone about the April 5, 2022. This is related to Prop "P" for the district Pension Tax related to retirees' health care. Director Mr. Tiberghien spoke about launching on the website, and internet the districts informational piece related to Prop "P". Director Mr. Tiberghien stated that if anyone has any questions, they can call the Chiefs Office or email either Chief Goldstein or Director Mr. Tiberghien.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Chief Goldstein had nothing to report.

Ordinances: None.

Resolutions: None.

<u>CHIEF'S REPORT</u>: Chief Goldstein reported that there will be a Closed Session to be held on March 22, 2022, related to 610.021 (3) Personnel Issues. Chief asked about the meet/confer process related to the Collective

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Bargaining Agreement (CBA). Director Mr. Tiberghien stated that the Board is working with the Chief, and the District Accountant, and should be putting together the districts counteroffer within a few weeks. Chief Goldstein reminded everyone that heir are five (5) Tuesdays this month, and the Board has elected not to meet on March 29, 2022.

<u>BATTALION CHIEF'S REPORT</u>: Battalion Chief Wes Morgan reported that the district has three (3) Firefighters that are now swift water rescue trained. Chief Morgan explained how difficult this training was during the cold weather, but also stated that theses water emergency doesn't always happen during warmer weather months.

MEDICAL OFFICERS REPORT: No Report.

SHOP REPORT: No Report.

LAWYERS REPORT: No Report.

<u>ACCOUNTANT REPORT:</u> District Accountant Rick Rognan presented the February Monthly Financial Report. After a full report on all line items, and with no questions, Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to approve the February Monthly Financial Report as presented. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mr. Anthony, and Director Mrs. Wilson.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT: Director Mrs. Wilson asked that everyone stays safe and watch your surroundings during the warm weather. Director Mr. Anthony stated that a lot is being said on social media, and through what is called the grape vine during elections. If you want to be informed as to what the Fire District is doing "please call the Chief, or attend one (1) of our four (4) Board of Directors Meetings each month. "Slow Down", "Be Safe", and "God Bless America". Director Mr. Tiberghien wanted to announce that we are welcoming back citizens into our open board meeting. 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 or rtiberghien@nocofr.com). Also, you can call in at every board meeting, and listen in.

CITIZENS COMMENT: Chief Goldstein reported that we have two (2) citizens at our meeting and welcomed them back. Ms. Wanda Lane, and Chuck Vogelsang. Ms. Wanda Lane spoke about the Bellefontaine (BFN) Planning/Zoning Meeting that was held on March 14, 2022. This was a detailed meeting regarding the Fire District Construction Project. Ms. Lane asked if there will be a delay in construction due to all the bids from 4-13 have been thrown out and will be rebidding. Chief Goldstein replied that it will push the projects back a little bit, because we are not willing to spend tax dollars foolishly. Citizens will start seeing some materials being delivered to the site within the next month.

With no further discussion at 5:32 PM Director Mr. Anthony made a motion, seconded by Director Mrs. Wilson to adjourn. Ayes: Director Mr. Tiberghien, Director Mrs. Wilson. Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held by conference call Tuesday March 15, 2022, at 5:00 PM by conference call in at (314) 899-5515 Pin # 1144.

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