

East Niceville Fire District

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February 9, 2021 – Meeting Minutes

Call To Order

The meeting of the ENFD Commission meeting was called to order by Chairmen Evans at the East Niceville Fire Dept. at 6PM. Chairmen Evans led the Pledge Of Allegiance and gave invocation.

Roll Call

All Commissioners, Chief Wright, Assistant Chief Birch and 2 Firefighters were in attendance.

Approval Of Minutes

Vice Chairman Schwab made a motion to accept the December Minutes, Commission Revell seconded, the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer McEntire gave his report and stated that there was \$925,111.00 in all accounts including the C.D.

Old Business

Vice Chairman Schwab asked about the status of Captain Kramer, Assistant Chief Birch reported that he would be back in less than two weeks. He also reported that Captain Kramer has been paying for his own health insurance. Chairman Evans received an email from Captain Kramer that he was cleared for full duty effective February 22, 2021. Group Health Insurance – Chief Wright reported that the group health insurance was renewed in January. Fire Truck – Treasurer McEntire said that the budget was a little tight to afford a new fire truck. Chairmen Evans asked if we could look in to grant options. Assistant Chief Birch said he would look into it including a COVID Relief Grant. Commissioner Revell said his mother had experience in writing grants. Chairman Evans made a motion to use Commissioner Revell's mother to write the grant. Seconded by Vice Chairman Schwab., motion passed. A report on grant options will be given at the March meeting. Also discussed was that fire truck committee amended the specifications that would save about \$65,000 on the cost. - Air Packs Chief Wright reported that the air packs should be delivered by the end of March. – Captains living quarters - The Commission discussed that there was no outside escape exit other than through the engine bay and it was not up to code. Vice Chairman Schwab said he would check with some state qualified builders to see what the code says. Assistant Chief Birch said he would look into what it would take to build an outside fire escape.

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New Business

Chairman Evans had received an official notification from Chief Wright of his resignation effective March 31st 2021 Chief Wright will continue to pay his insurance through COBRA until he qualifies for Medicare in August. Also discussed was the Chief's 650 hours of Sick Leave and his pension plan. Chairman Evans made a motion to promote Assistant Chief Birch to Interim Chief. Seconded by Commissioner McEntire. The Motion passed with a 4-1 vote with Vice Chairman Schwab opposed. Chairman Evans will put together an outside committee to set the qualifications and to do the interviews of the applicants. Chairman Evans will give his report at the March meeting. – Credit Card – Treasurer McEntire reported that the Chief, Assistant Chief and the Captains are the only employees authorized to use the credit card.

Adjourn

After no further business Vice Chairman Schwab made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Evans. Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM

**Submitted by
Leo Tisa**