

East Niceville Fire District

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May 11, 2021 – Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting of the ENFD Commission was called to order by Chairman Evans at the East Niceville Fire Department at 6:00 PM. Chairman Evans led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation.

Roll Call

All Commissioners, Chief Birch, Assistant Chief Kramer and several Firefighters were present.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Revell made a motion to approve the April 13, 2021 meeting minutes. Seconded by Chairman Evans and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer McEntire gave his report and stated that there was a total of \$737,823 in all accounts. This includes the 40K CD.

Old Business

Northwest FL Daily News – Commission Revell reported that he cancelled the subscription since no one read the paper. Covid 19 relief check – Chief Birch reported that he did receive the 20K check. Vice Chairman Schwab suggested that we have a press release showing the Chief receiving the check. Commissioner's Role – Vice Chairman Schwab discussed what the Commissioner's role is and that the Chairman presides over the commission meetings and has no more authority than any other commissioner. Chairman Evans stated that the Chairman has special rights on certain decisions. Treasurer McEntire said that the Chief, out of courtesy, should inform the Commissioners on what he is doing. Staffing – Chief Birch discussed whether the district should have Battalion Chiefs or Captains. Treasurer McEntire asked the Chief how he would respond to a fire as far as staffing. Chief Birch said that he would have 4 responders: 2 firefighters, a Captain and either the Chief or Assistant Chief. Vice Chairman Schwab suggested that we should evaluate the cost of having Battalion Chiefs. Commissioner Revell made a motion that the daily operations of the department should come under the guidance of the Chief. The motion was seconded by Chairman Evans and the motion passed. Resignation of the Chairman – Chairman Evans resigned as Chairman. Secretary Tisa made a motion to accept his resignation, seconded by Commissioner Revell and the motion passed. Chairman Evans will remain on the board. Vice Chairman Schwab volunteered to be the Chairman and Commissioner Revell volunteered to be the Vice Chairman. Chief's Salary – There was a discussion on what the Chief and Assistant Chief's salary would be. Vice Chairman Revell made a motion to keep the salaries the same as what they currently are. Secretary Tisa seconded the motion and it passed. Treasurer McEntire will confirm what the salaries will be with Brie at the accountant's office, and would let the Commissioners know. The pay would be effective on the May 22 payroll.

Chief's Report

Chief Birch recommended that the Assistant Chief's title be changed to Deputy Chief.

Adjourn

After no further business Chairman Schwab made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman Revell and the motion passed.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Leo Tisa