

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
1766 Latta Road Station #2
3/28/2023**

PRESENT: Chairman W. Rickman, Commissioners W. Bedford, J. Maxwell, M. Stolte; Treasurer/IT A. Hinds (left after his report), Secretary Kari Dutton, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Deputy Chief K. Battaglia, Fire Chief S. DeRosa

ABSENT: M. Beaty (available on video, but not voting)

PUBLIC: Joe Camiolo

Chairman called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted the fire exits. The opening of the meeting was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our departed members.

Treasurer A. Hinds

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner W. Bedford, To resolve to approve payment of voucher nos. 7466-7489 totaling \$133,926.04 as submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 3/28/2023.

*M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried*

Secretary K. Dutton

2023.7000.18.03.28

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To approve the following SOP's as reviewed:

1. 2108 Personal Protective Equipment
2. Incident command system newly numbered 3001
3. Risk management and Safety newly created and numbered 3002
4. Standard company functions newly created and numbered 3003
5. Incident scene strategy and tactics newly created and numbered 3004

Also, to approve the removal of SOP 2148 (2nd set of PPE) as it was combined with SOP 2108.

*M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried*

Treasurer/IT A. Hinds

- We have received 4 quotes for doing the Audio/Visual in the board room. It will cost approximately \$17K and will facilitate video meetings.
- There was a discussion regarding asset management. The Chief has documents that show items over \$5,000. He will scan it for Andy who will look for a place to store this information.

Administrator T. Gretzinger

- The board was thanked for the flower arrangement received on the passing of her mother-in-law.
- Whelehan has been scheduled to remove the wallpaper, repair the walls and paint the board room. They will also install a new cove base.

Deputy Chief K. Battaglia-No Report

Fire Chief S. DeRosa

- We will swear in new officers and firefighters on April 11th at 5 PM prior to the board meeting which will be held at station 1. The secretary will make notification of the meeting change.

- We have received 3 Demo air packs from Dival and are waiting for a fourth to test so we can plan for budgeting.

Commissioner M. Beaty

- Building update: station 3 snowplow damage lawn repair will be done by Bartlett. Building damage from last Friday's wind will be repaired in-house.

Commissioner W. Bedford

- Vehicle update from Jeff Gates: There are new EPA standards coming out in 2026-2027. There was a discussion on how this changes our vehicle purchasing program. Diesel motor emissions affect all motor manufacturers. Cummins will remove 2 motors we currently use. Modular motors will make it easier to get motors, but there will be a cost increase. These models will have larger transmissions. They say fire service is exempt, but no one has done anything about it. They say it will be more efficient with 75% emissions which run hotter and burn out heads. There are four slots left for more engines and we are penciled in for one. We can rescind up until late this year. Long waits allow for budgeting cost over four years. Cost could be \$110,000 extra per engine. The board is in support of remaining on this list. We will need a letter of intent to purchase.
 - New 273 update: The plan is to stop and inspect the chassis on the way back from IN when attending FDIC. This engine should be ready in July.
 - 270 updates: We are working with engineers to fine tune what we have. The role has changed over the years.
 - BC Knapp is leading a very productive committee for vehicle purchasing.

Commissioner J. Maxwell-No report

Commissioner M. Stolte

- The Safety Committee met on the 16th: Wiesner, Manchester, Stolte, Short, Healey, BC Short. They are doing a great job.

Chairman W. Rickman

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To move to executive session to discuss matters relating to personnel hiring/firing at 6:28 p.m.

*M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried*

MOTION BY Commissioner, 2nd by Commissioner, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:48 p.m.

*M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Kari Dutton, Secretary
Board of Fire Commissioners
North Greece Fire District