

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
1766 Latta Road Station #2
4/25/2023**

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

ABSENT: M. Beaty (observed by video)

PUBLIC: Joe Camiolo, BC J. Lissow, FF T. Clark

The 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.

PUBLIC TOPICS

Chairman read the District's established procedure for handling public topics set forth on each agenda as follows:

- A. The Board will now conduct the public comment period for those who have notified the Secretary no later than 15 minutes prior to this meeting.
- B. When the Chairman calls upon you, please stand and state your name/address and what you want the Board to consider.
- C. As the Board conducts essential business at this meeting, a 3-minute rule on all public comments has been established. Please do not expect the Board to answer any questions at this time.

Joe Camiolo commented that he would hate to see the volunteer fire service in the town go away.

Treasurer A. Hinds

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner W. Bedford, To resolve to approve payment of voucher nos. 7523-7546 totaling \$29,931.58 as submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 4/25/2023.

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

Secretary K. Dutton

- The Greece Fire Districts will be sending representatives to a meeting for roundtable discussions regarding the volunteer fire service. We are hoping to meet in May.

Treasurer/IT A. Hinds

2023.8000.6.04.25

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Bedford, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, to increase the spending limitation on Kari Dutton's credit card to \$10,000 to prevent going over the threshold with travel costs.

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

Administrator T. Gretzinger-No Report

Deputy Chief K. Battaglia

- The parade season is beginning, and the board approves registering and participation of E-278. Upcoming parades: Town of Greece memorial and battalion 2 (Spencerport, Hamlin, Hilton).

Fire Chief S. DeRosa

- There will be a code F this Saturday for Ray Wegner.
- The Chief will be out of service beginning May 8th for 2 weeks.

Commissioner M. Beaty

Commissioner W. Bedford

- The truck committee met last Thursday on a zoom meeting with Sutphen. Our committee is impressive. They are looking out for our interests. They want to reduce the scrub angle from 31 to 8 degrees using compartments with traditional door openings instead of rolling doors. We are very fortunate to have BC G. Knapp and Capt. J. Gates on this committee. They were trying to increase the water tank. The DC plans to meet with the head engineer Thursday at FDIC.
- The new 273 chassis is almost done. DC Battaglia may be able to drive to Columbus on the way home from FDIC to do an inspection.

Commissioner J. Maxwell-No Report

Commissioner M. Stolte

- The board and chief will recognize FF Grierson tomorrow for the work he's done for the district including the training grounds. He will be given the Chief's award and a gift certificate.

Chairman W. Rickman

- We currently meet every 2 weeks on the station 3 building project. Drawings were given today. The basics we'd like put in would double the size. We can get close to the lot lines. We feel it is critical to bring the front tarmac to the grade of the road. This could cause some issues with keeping any of the remaining structure and would be costly. Building codes allow us to build without using permits.

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To move to executive session at 6:14 PM to discuss matters relating to personnel hiring/firing.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To return to regular session at 7:22 PM.

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

2023.3000.14.04.25

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To appoint FF Matt Healey to the position of Lieutenant effective June 4, 2023, at the salary of \$94,313 annually.

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

2023.3000.15.04.25

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To appoint Stephen Carter to the position of Fire Captain effective June 4, 2023, at the salary of \$102,520 annually.

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

2023.3000.16.04.25

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner W. Bedford, To appoint Todd Smith to the acting position of Battalion Chief effective June 4, 2023 at the salary of \$112,772 annually.
M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried

2023.3000.17.04.25

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To appoint Joe Lissow to the position of Deputy Chief, pending approval of Civil Service and OFPC, effective June 4, 2023, at the salary of \$131,604 annually.
M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried

2023.3000.18.04.25

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To appoint Kevin Battaglia to the acting position of Fire Chief effective June 4, 2023, at the salary of \$144,765.00 annually. Upon official retirement of the current Fire Chief, Kevin will be appointed from the civil service list to Fire Chief, pending approval of Civil Service and OFPC.
M. Beaty – absent, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes
Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Bedford, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:37 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