

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
1766 Latta Road Station #2
8/8/2023**

PRESENT: Chairman W. Rickman, Commissioners M. Beaty, J. Maxwell, M. Stolte; Treasurer/IT A. Hinds, Secretary Kari Dutton, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Deputy Chief J. Lissow, Fire Chief K. Battaglia, Atty. R. DiRaddo

ABSENT: Commissioner W. Bedford

PUBLIC: Joe Camiolo

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.
- D. Once the public comment period ends the public will not be permitted to comment.
 - Joe Camiolo thanked the chief's office for putting in volunteer lieutenants.

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Beaty, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To approve the regular 7/11/2023 meeting minutes.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner jm, ms, 2nd by Commissioner, To approve the regular 7/25/2023 meeting minutes.

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

Treasurer A. Hinds

- Treasurer Hinds read the monthly financial report, detailing receipts, disbursements, exception report, budget summary, grants, and status of approved reserve account expenditures. The financial report is appended to these minutes.

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Beaty, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To approve the monthly financial report as submitted by Treasurer Hinds.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner M. Beaty, To resolve to approve payment of voucher nos. 7708-7735 totaling \$30,512.25 as submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 8/8/2023.

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

Treasurer/IT A. Hinds

- The treasurer presented a 2024 preliminary budget.
- Andy will be out of the office starting tomorrow for a few weeks.

Date	Sent
7/31/23	Incident report to Amy Taylor for 2023-001896 MVA Kinmont/Latta 7/25/23
Date	Received
7/25/23	Sympathy card from RBC – The LOSAP group on the passing of Ken Preston
7/28/23	FOIL request for incident report 7/25/23 MVA at Latta/Kinmont
7/31/23	Thank you card to staff from past Chief DeRosa

Secretary K. Dutton

2023.7000.27.08.08

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Beaty, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, to approve the revision to SOP 1010 (Election).

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

- Comm. Bedford will no longer be able to attend the 2023 Symposium in the Sun. None of the other commissioners were interested in attending. The secretary will cancel his reservations.
Note: Commissioner Maxwell and Bedford registrations were transferred to 2024.

Administrator T. Gretzinger

2023.7000.28.08.08

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner M. Beaty, To accept and sign the 2 year contract from firefly for LOSAP accounts, with a cost not to exceed \$4,113 per year.

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

Deputy Chief J. Lissow

- The volunteer membership committee is hoping for 4 new volunteers.
- Our ISO representative wants to meet on August 24 to double check some things. This is a good thing. We should receive our rating soon.

Fire Chief K. Battaqlia

- We have responded to 2,014 calls year-to-date.
- State DOT contacted us regarding the N. Greece Rd./Latta Rd. interchange. Opticom will be installed rather than the pull cord. This saves them money and works out better for us. There will be an east and west turning lane and raised curbing with the project to begin next year.
- It has been great working on the budget daily with Andy.

Commissioner M. Beaty

- We have started the process by signing paperwork to send into the town of Greece for snow removal this winter. The secretary will mail it to the town tomorrow.
- Training grounds work is coming along nicely: the floor is done, and walls are being painted. They are installing diamond plate on the walls to protect them. Burn panels in the burn building are being replaced.

Commissioner W. Bedford-necessarily absent

Commissioner J. Maxwell

- We had a good meeting with a grant writer. We are trying to set up an account, but in 2015 someone started an account, and we don't have the information, so there is a hold until they get that straightened out.

Commissioner M. Stolte

- Quint update: 130 pages of specs are being reviewed and should be ready for approval at our next meeting.

Chairman W. Rickman

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Beaty, To move to executive session to discuss matters relating to purchase/sale of real property and personnel hiring/firing at 7:05 PM.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner, 2nd by Commissioner, To return to regular session at 8:00 PM.

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

2023.7000.29.08.08

MOTION BY Commissioner, 2nd by Commissioner, To approve the intermunicipal agreement with Ridge Road Fire District in regards to shared services of mechanic Robert Floyd.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner, 2nd by Commissioner, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:01 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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