

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
1766 Latta Road Station #2  
7/23/2024**

**PRESENT:** Chairman M. Stolte, Commissioners M. Beaty, W. Bedford, J. Maxwell, W. Rickman; Treasurer/IT A. Hinds, Secretary Kari Dutton, Deputy Chief J. Lissow, Fire Chief K. Battaglia

**ABSENT:** Administrator T. Gretzinger

**PUBLIC:** Joe Camiolo, Capt. J. Gates

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.

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**MOTION BY** Commissioner M. Beaty, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To resolve to approve payment of bills listed on the abstract of vouchers totaling \$23,830.15 as submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 7/23/2024.

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

- There was a budget discussion regarding how to handle budget increases.

**Secretary K. Dutton**

**2024.1000.7.07.23**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Beaty, To amend resolution 2024.1000.4.06.11 to remove the phrase to be paid for with our contingency account.

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

**2024.7000.15.07.23**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner M. Stolte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To approve new SOP 1225 Receiving District Incident and Alerting.

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

- One bid was opened for the truck body bid from Martin Truck Bodies. It did not contain a non-collusive bidding certificate. (*Note: a con-collusive bidding certificate was received the following day.*)

**Treasurer/IT A. Hinds**

**2024.7000.16.07.23**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner W. Bedford, To update SOP 1101 (Procurement) to updating 1101 to add that a 2<sup>nd</sup> set of eyes should be on any legal notices before sending.

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

- Considering a recent audit report for another entity there was a discussion regarding paying health insurance premiums prior to board audit. Our annual resolution recognizes health insurance as part of the compensation for services of officers or employees, as it is included in our CBA, and so it may be paid in advance of Board audit.
- IT update: CE Tech has been hired for backup, monitoring, and patching. They have started installing software on our computers and are currently monitoring. We are currently meeting once a week with them, and they should be live August 1.
- Budget prep is underway

**Administrator T. Gretzinger-Necessarily Absent**

**Deputy Chief J. Lissow**

- The following items are being discussed as part of the plan for the next few years of major projects:
  - Estimates for paving the training grounds
  - Roof replacement at headquarters for the spring of 2025
  - HQ Window replacements (bunk room)
  - Painting station 1
  - Access control
- The County MDT's are scheduled to arrive tomorrow.
- We are planning on getting a building Condition survey done.

**Fire Chief K. Battaglia**

- We have responded to 2,280 calls year-to-date (59% EMS).
- The Symposium in the Sun will now be attended by Battalion Chief Smith and Chief Battaglia.
- Rescue 278 will be attending the "I Dig This Town" event Saturday, August 3rd at the town hall.
- The keys were found for the fire safety trailer. It is of no value to the district.

**2024.2000.8.07.23**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner W. Bedford, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Stolte, To scrap the 2005 Scotty Trailer.

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

- After our facilities meeting last week, it was recommended that we go ahead with mold removal from station 3 next Wednesday, July 31. Quint 270 will be running out of another station for the day.
- We will hold a swearing-in ceremony for Capt. M. Dorgan and Lt. T. Galka on Tuesday, August 27 as part of the commission meeting. We will start the meeting then move to the truck bay for the ceremony.

**Commissioner M. Beaty**

- We are getting pricing on putting a concrete perimeter around the burn building at the training ground. We also have tentative dates to pave the front parking lot.

**Commissioner W. Bedford**

**2024.2000.9.07.23**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner W. Bedford, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Stolte, To approve the bid from Martin Truck Bodies Inc for an aluminum service body for the new 2025 Chevrolet Silverado on order pending receipt of a non-collusive form at a cost of \$22,683.90.

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

- A meeting was held with the Ridge Road Fire District regarding our shared Mechanic. It became apparent that we were spending more money and RRFD asked what they could do. Treas. A. Hinds suggested a way to invoice expenses based on the item's value and length of time we would use it. He explained how he estimates what the cost is. They have paid their share of his employment cost. RRFD will pick up a larger share of the asset costs for the mutual agreement of the district mechanic beginning in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

**Commissioner J. Maxwell-no report**

**Commissioner W. Rickman**

**2024.3000.15.07.23**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner W. Rickman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Stolte, To approve Alessandro Perez Vera as a class 2 firefighter, all background checks and physical have been completed successfully.

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

**Chairman M. Stolte**

- The next health and safety update meeting is this Thursday at 9 a.m.
- Station 3 updates:
  - Property closing update: both soil sample and environmental studies are back. They voiced concern of vapor intrusion due to a gas station nearby (CVS) across the street). Lt. Gates believes it is not money well spent due to where the test wells will be. The soil came back good: it compacted at the 10-foot level, there aren't many tree roots, and it's sandy. Our attorney is working on the closing documents.
  - Permit to tear down the house and brick building has been filed. There is no need for the town planning board (it can be reviewed administratively). The county must approve the work.
  - Cost per square footage has gone down, but we've added more square footage to build at the new site.
  - It would be desired to have the bond vote before Sept 24th.

**MOTION BY** Commissioner M. Stolte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Beaty, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:47 p.m.

*M. Beaty – yes, 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