

Prince George's County Fire Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday September 7th, 2022

Tonight's virtual meeting, with approximately 59 participants, was gavelled to order by Chairman Bolden at 7:30 pm.

Chaplain (Underwood) – opened the meeting with an invocation prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Chaplain Hetz- Chief Chaplain's report will be provided separately.

Volunteer Services Office –Deputy Chief White

- A few events coming up including the Association convention events and 9/11 stair climb.
- Sending out fit test list tomorrow.

Commissioner Bell (Gloria) - No Report

Commissioner Hegwood (Lisa)-

Expenditure request for Co. 10 \$4,320.25 for their first Quarter Insurance, seconded by Commissioner Snyder, with all in favor the motion passed.

Commissioner Snyder (Kyle)–

- **Made a motioned for the approval of the August 17th, 2022 Commission Minutes. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Wilson, with all in favor the motion passed.**
- **Expenditure request for Co.12 \$5,398.86 for badges and brass from Hahn Company, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, with all in favor the motion passed.**

Commissioner Holbert (Antwan) – No Report

Commissioner Chandler (Michelle) –

A motion for two equivalency requests from Co.33 Robert Carlow ID# 28251, and Brendan Potechin ID# 28245. Seconded by Commissioner Holbert, with all in favor the motion passed. Chair Bolden advised he will review tomorrow when he is in the office.

Commissioner Wilson (Glenn)- No Report

Commissioner/Vice Chair Surles (Vanessa)- Report provided by Chair Bolden

Many of the LOSAP reports are ready, if a station would like the reports emailed, please send her a request via a county email. Paper copies can also be picked up with appointment only.

Commissioner Smalls- No report.

Recruiter Update:

County recruiter Patricia Shelton provided an update on recruiting efforts and statistics.

Chair Bolden-

- Deputy meeting tomorrow.

- Audit make-up is 9am on Saturday September 10th at FSB.
- Working on audit automation, where paperwork can be uploaded by stations and audits can be done virtually.
- Training proposal was received today from Co.9, will be reviewed and approved at the next meeting.

President of the Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association– Vic Whipple

- Reminder of the upcoming Convention events. All info is out, let us know if you have any questions.

Ladies Auxiliary:

- Provided additional details on the convention.

Questions from the floor:

- Richard Takacs of Co.49 asked about the LOSAP increase issues. Chair Bolden advised its work in progress and lost funds will retroactively paid.
- Piero Mellits asked about funding distribution, LOSAP increases, and asked on the progress of the past-due 508 fund reports that are required. Chair Bolden and Deputy Chief White provided responses.
- Michael Carbone asked about the new format of the meeting.
- John Roberts asked about the audit process, LOSAP reports, and expenditures.
- William Tavel asked about the mold issue at Co. 55.
- Donald Wells of Co. 9 asked about two expenditure requests submitted yesterday, Commissioner Snyder will check into it.

Ladies Auxiliary:

Thanked the Commission for taking care of the offices at FSB. In person meeting tomorrow, and working to plan the convention.

Closing Benediction- Chaplain provided a benediction.

Chairman Bolden adjourned the meeting at 8:07pm.

Minutes were recorded and typed by Commissioner Kyle Snyder, Secretary.