

Prince George's County Fire Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday November 16th, 2022

Tonight's virtual meeting, with approximately 48 participants, was gavelled to order by Chairman Bolden at 7:30 pm.

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

Chaplain Sandy Lutz- Chief Chaplain's report will be provided separately.

Volunteer Services Office –Assistant Chief White

- Sent out an email sent yesterday concerning EEO, an EEO memo was sent out in April reminding everyone to take the annual training, and be present at a Town Hall style meeting to discuss EEO in the fire service. While there are only about 118 people in target solution who have not taken the class, there are quite a few companies have not held a town hall meeting.
- December 6th invited some of the company presidents to a Town Hall at the FSB for a clear discussion to understand the reasons and decisions being made.

Commissioner Hegwood (Lisa)-

- **Made a motioned for the approval for Co. 49 for \$6,139 for scheduling software (annual payment) to Aladtec. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Holbert, with all in favor the motion passed.**

Commissioner Snyder (Kyle)-

- **Made a motioned for the approval of the November 2nd, 2022, Commission Minutes. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Hegwood, with all in favor the motion passed.**
- **Made a motioned for the approval for Co. 48 for \$5,550 for tax preparation fees. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Hegwood, with all in favor the motion passed.**
- **Made a motioned for the approval for Co. 9 for \$4,486.14 to upgrade exterior signage on the station and northside training location. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Hegwood, with all in favor the motion passed.**
- **Made a motioned for the approval for Co. 13 for \$5,000 for the recruitment vehicle wrap. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Holbert, with all in favor the motion passed.**

Commissioner Holbert (Antwan) – No Report

Commissioner Chandler (Michelle) – No Report

Commissioner Bell (Gloria) - No Report

Commissioner Wilson (Glenn)- No Report

Commissioner/Vice Chair Surles (Vanessa)- No Report

- **Made a motioned for the approval of the FY21 LOSAP reports 25, 27, 48/28. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Hegwood, with all in favor the motion passed.**

Commissioner Smalls- No report.

Recruiter Update:

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

Chair Bolden-

- Thanked everyone who responded by to the Fire Commission for the 508 information. Still a few companies that need to provide data, 35, 34, 49, and 55/Mt Rainer. Looking to have 508
- Station Management funds should have hit everyone's accounts
- Met with County Deputy CAO - Public Safety & Homeland Security Berry Stanton and the Company 49 leadership regarding a new station in Laurel, which may be a combination volunteer/career station.

President of the Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association— Jeramie Jordan

- Next meeting will be Nov 22nd at 7pm at Company 33.
- Asked which stations were testing the new LOSAP system. Vice-Chair advised no stations are currently testing the systems.

Ladies Auxiliary:

- Next meeting is December 1st in Laurel. All are welcome.

Questions from the floor:

- Melito asked about last year's 508 funding information packet that he dropped off at the Commission office. The chair advised he will check into that.
- Gary Blanton, LOSAP coordinator for Bowie VFD, asked how he could get a copy of the LOSAP report. Vice chair advised there are copies at FSB in the Fire Commission office and to just give them a call.
- A question was asked about the accident renewal package timeline. The Chair advised he would bring it up at the next meeting.
- Piero Mellis asked about the status of LOSAP backpay payouts and a December 1st deadline that was mentioned. He also voiced concerns of the Station management matrix, and requested information on the distribution of funds to stations.

Closing Benediction- Chaplain provided a benediction.

Chairman Bolden adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

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



Kyle Snyder, Secretary

These Minutes Approved at 12/7/22 Commission Meeting