

**Prince George's County Fire Commission Meeting Minutes**  
Wednesday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Tonight's meeting was held virtually, with Fire Commissioners in person at FSB, with approximately 42 participants, was gavelled to order by Chairman Bolden at 7:30 pm.

Chaplain Lutz– opened the meeting with an invocation prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Chaplain Shaw- Provided the Champlain's report.

Volunteer Services Office –Assistant Chief White

- General Order 8-20 (Controlled Substance) was sent out today. Please review the order.
- IT training was due on July 31<sup>st</sup>, received a list today for those who were non-compliant. Also looking at County emails, people who have not logged in since June 2022 will have their accounts disabled.
- Still updating the fit test lists.

Commissioner Hegwood (Lisa)- No report

- **She does have signed LOSAP reports for a few of her stations, please reach out to her to set up a time to pick them up.**

Commissioner Snyder (Kyle)–

- **Made a motioned for the approval of the July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Commission Minutes. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bell, with all in favor the motion passed.**

Commissioner Chandler (Michelle) – No report.

Commissioner Holbert (Antwan) – No report.

Commissioner Bell (Gloria) – No report.

- **Has signed LOSAP reports for a few of her stations, please reach out to her to set up a time to pick them up.**

Commissioner Smalls-

- Echoed the condolences for the loss at Company 10

Commissioner Selmon- No report.

Commissioner/Vice Chair Surlles (Vanessa)-

- **Made a motioned for the approval of the LOSAP award for Lisa Jordan from Company 24, and the FY22 LOSAP Report for Brandywine Co. 40. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hegwood with all in favor the motion passed.**

Chair Bolden-

- Today met with all the Commissioners and agreed that we will be doing quarterly in person meeting, next in person meeting at FSB on October 4<sup>th</sup>. The following one will be in January.

- Audit information will be coming out later this week for Station Management and 508 with info on how to upload the documents.
- District Commissioners will be reaching out for officer certifications for FY24, they can be resubmitted.
- Tomorrow he is meeting with County Council and Association President to discuss items on Fire Commission processes and operations.

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

President of the Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association–

- Next meeting next Wednesday at Station 55
- County Convention will be held in September, Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> and the 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Asked if there is an update on the office move. Chair advised that last he heard the furniture was in production. Will reach out to facilities tomorrow via email.

Ladies Auxiliary:

- Next Meeting will be tomorrow at Marlboro VFD.
- Scholarship committee doing the fall scholarship.
- Hall of Fame submissions are now open
- Fire Prevention poster contest underway
- Tribute tickets available for purchase.

Questions from the floor:

-Brian Lau asked if there was a follow up to any of his previous discussion. Also asked about the discussion at the work session about sales taxes being paid by Station Management. The Chair advises that information will be distributed on how to handle sales tax, recently there has been a spike in the paying out of sales taxes.

-Janet Demerit advised she will wait to see the list about the IT training.

-Pete Mellits also brought up the sales tax questions.

-William Rabbit asked about the LOSAP progress. The vice chair advised she started sending out emails today, the remainder should be sent out within the next week.

-Mr. Melito advised he is still waiting for the invoice from the Chair that was discussed at the Town Hall meeting.

Chaplain providing a closing benediction.

Chairman Bolden adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.



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