

Fire Commission Meeting

March 16, 2016

Meeting began at 1930 hours, gaveled by Chairman Tucker. A sign-in sheet was passed around.

Chaplain Report, Chaplain Litchfield (Warren) gave a short opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and provided a short update on our sick and injured members.

Chairman Tucker (Jay) Jay stated that all the Officers were at the St. Barnabas Road Fire.

Commissioner Dougherty (Brian) stated that he had no report tonight.

Commissioner King (Buddy) requested approval for the following awards:

John Kellher, Co. 39 – 36 years – **Motioned and Approved**

Isabell Field, Co. 25 – 26 years – **Motioned and Approved**

Buddy then requested to see a few companies after the meeting.

Commissioner, Chairman Tucker (Jay) made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. – **motioned and approved**. Jay made some comments with regards to the new RMS system and stated that Brittany and Bonnie have now had training on that. Jay reminded everyone about their participation on the Statewide Recruitment Day on April 10th. Jay then touch on the Budget stating that there is a 10% increase on Station Management and that the Tool and Uniform money is now a line item so the Commission does not have to fight for that money each year. Jay then had 3 expenditure requests for approval:

Co. 37 \$7500.00 Annual Awards Banquet – **motioned and approved**

Co. 23 \$3000.00 Installation of Security System – **motioned and approved**

Co. 21 \$2157.56 Replacement of Emergency Light on E212 – **motioned and approved**

Commissioner Kuenzli (Randy) 3 requests for equivalency, all paperwork is in order:

Joseph Herrera, Co. 1 – **motioned & approved**

Cory Wilcox, Co. 9 – **motioned & approved**

Brandon Records, CO. 33 – **motioned and approved**. Randy stated that 51 applicants have registered for March VRS and they will only hold 1 class and have made measures to have extra instructors. Starting in the April class the VRS students will be receiving certificates of completion after talking about it during the Administrative Training Day. Randy motioned to have the Administrative Training Day to count for continuing education credit – **motion & approved**. Randy also stated that some changes have been made to the FireStat program and motioned to have the FireStat program be approved for LOSAP purposes – **motioned and approved**.

Commissioner Bodrick (Tyrone) stated that he had no report tonight.

****Chairman Tucker then opened the floor up for nominations****

Co. 33 nominated & seconded Tyrone Boderick for his current Commission spot.

Chief Strine nominated & seconded Jay Tucker for his current Chairman spot.

**** Chairman Tucker then closed the floor for nominations****

Chairman Tucker (Jay) Jay then stated that the MoU states that the nominations are held before April and elections are the first meeting in April, however we can ask for a unanimous decision since no one was opposed. At that point PGCFVRA past President, Frank Underwood made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot, that motion was seconded – **motioned and approved**. Therefore, no ballots would be cast in the April meeting. Jay then thanked everyone for their support and nomination and hopes he can live up to their expectations. A question was asked on the floor “If a career person retires are they still eligible to hold the career position on the Commission” Jay answered yes as the MoU was changed.

PGCVFRA past Vice President, Janet Demeritt asked about the changes to the MoU that states the issues with the retired Career person still holding a Commissioner spot. Jay stated that he would get that to her.

PGCVFRA President (Chuck) gave a quick report of a meeting he and Vice President King had with the County Executive, reminded everyone about cash BINGO fundraiser and reminded everyone that the next Association Meeting is April 13th at Co. 55, please come and eat early.

Chaplain Litchfield (Warren) provided a benediction prayer to close the meeting, a motion to adjourn was entertained by the Chair – **Motioned and Approved**.

Minutes recorded by Chairman Tucker and typed by Recruiter Brittany Smith

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brittany Smith', written in a cursive style.