

### **North County Regional Fire Authority**

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

Hybrid

March 8 , 2023 4:00pm

#### CALL TO ORDER

The following attendees were present:

**COMMISSIONERS** 

Rob Johnson, Chair

Jan Iverson

Judy Williams

Ric Cade

Debora Nelson Barb Tolbert

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Marilyn Oertle Larry Longley

Greg Oakes

FIRE AUTHORITY STAFF

John Cermak, Fire Chief

Dave Kraski, Deputy Fire Chief

Doug ten Hoopen, Assistant Fire Chief

Katie Casey, Human Resources Manager

Randy Krumm, Finance Director

Kari Wheeler, Administrative Assistant

Greg Koontz, Battalion Chief of Training

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman Johnson.

### EMPLOYEE AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA w/ amendment to add discussion of Board Composition to NEW BUSINESS

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Williams

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Oertle

**Discussion:** None

**APPROVED:** Unanimous

### MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Cade

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Oertle

**Discussion:** None

**APPROVED:** Unanimous

### MOTION TO APPROVE FEBRUARY 22, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Iverson

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Longley

**Discussion:** None

**APPROVED:** Unanimous

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 

### MOTION TO APPROVE POLICY 75 AS PRESENTED

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Oakes

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Oertle

**Discussion:** No changes had been made to Policy 75 as previously presented. Commission would like to see specific required skills included in the description; further revision necessary; will be brought to Commission next meeting.

MOTION WITHDRAWN by Commissioner Oakes and Commissioner Oertle

# MOTION TO HAVE THE FIRE CHIEF ENTER INTO A PERSONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SCOTT GOODALE FOR THE TRAINING ADVISORY GROUP CHAIR

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Oakes

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Iverson

**Discussion:** After discussion, the motion was amended and adopted as follows,

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**APPROVED:** Unanimous



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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 03082023-01 APPOINTING KARI WHEELER AS THE NCRFA BOARD SECRETARY

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Iverson 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cade

**Discussion:** None

**APPROVED:** Unanimous

### MOTION TO APPLY FOR THE SAFER GRANT

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Oakes 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Longley

Discussion: Chief Cermak shared staffing and deployment data and needs and presented options for varying levels of

future staffing and their budgetary impact.

**APPROVED:** Unanimous

### MOTION TO APPROVE THE EMS LEVY-RELATED HIRING PLAN OPTIONS

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Longley 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Oakes

**Discussion:** concern expressed if the EMS Levy doesn't pass;

**Roll Call:** 

Commissioner Oakes: Yes
Commissioner Tolbert: abstain
Commissioner Williams: Yes
Commissioner Nelson: abstain
Commissioner Iverson: abstain
Commissioner Oertle: Yes
Commissioner Johnson: Yes
Commissioner Cade: Yes
Commissioner Longley: Yes
APPROVED: 6, yes; 3 abstain

### **Board Composition** – *discussion only*

**Discussion:** Commissioner Iverson would like to serve the remaining time of her term, but not renew; need to notify County Elections Committee by May 1; during the RFA merger Commission has 6 yrs to reduce number of seats by 1; Commissioner Iverson's (at large) position will not be renewed; Commission intends to reduce positions from 9 to 7, this needs to come by resolution at the next meeting; new district maps were filed – Commission will be comprised of 5 District positions and 2 At Large positions;

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

- Chief Cermak attended the NW Leadership Conference
- Chief Cermak and Chief ten Hoopen completed sheeting one of the sheds that we needed to complete. They will go to SNO911 to retrieve cabinets for the Training Center;
- Chief Cermak attended the consortium admin meeting where the group voted to utilize the training center moving forward and to work with Randy and So County finance to bet out cost and pricing to present to the Training Advisory Group.
- Chief Cermak contacted Scott Goodale to invite him to our team and worked on a Training Advisory Group service contract.
- Chief Cermak and Chief Kraski attended the county fire chief's meeting. The main topic was addressing wall times consistently and united across the county;
- Chief Cermak and Chief ten Hoopen met with Faber and Draeger for a progress meeting for the training center.
- Chief Cermak met with the new Marysville Fire Chief. He came from Vista CA.



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• Chief Ten Hoopen submitted for the FEMA Grant COVID Reimbursement. NCRFA will be getting just over \$30,000 (\$30,778.08) back on this one which is 90% cost-share from the Feds of the approx. \$34K (\$34,197.86). They submitted for reimbursement (the latest PA Grant for COVID expenses).

### IAFF LOCAL 3438 REPORT

BC Koontz shared the situation of being understaffed.

### **BOARD DISCUSSION – COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Update that 6 FF are currently attending the Academy; the question – could there be a discussion for possible incentives for emergency hire; the question – what can we do to expedite hiring; request to notify the Commission in the event of a brownout;

### GOOD OF THE ORDER.

N/A

**MOTION TO ADJOURN 5:35 pm** 

1<sup>st</sup>: Commissioner Williams 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Tolbert

**Discussion:** 

**APPROVED:** Unanimous

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Kari Wheeler

**Interim Board Secretary**