

PIEDMONT NORTH CAROLINA FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2020
FORBUSH FIRE DEPARTMENT

Call to Order: President Chris Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Pledged of Allegiance

Opening Comments: President Davis welcomed everyone and thanked Chief Capps and the staff at Forbush Fire Department for hosting meeting. Thanks to CIVIC Credit Union for sponsoring the meal tonight. Meeting is held via Zoom for membership.

Vendors: No vendors were allowed at meeting due to COVID restrictions.

Prayer: Steven Roberson opened meeting with prayer.

Introduction of officers:

Chris Davis – President, Clemmons FD
Dolly Hulin – 1st VP Thomasville FD
Steven Roberson – 2nd VP, City of King FD
Brian Causey - South Director, Guil-Rand FD
Scott Hackler – North Director, Efland FD (video)
Ed Brinson – Treasurer, Fairview FD Retired
Kathy Weatherspoon – Executive Secretary, Bahama FD
A.C. Rich – Past President, Youngsville FD/Northern Wake FD/Raleigh (Retired)

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the January 2020 meeting were posted on line. Motion to accept was made by Jerry Brooks and seconded by Tommy Cole. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

Ed Brinson gave report on finances. Current total of all accounts is \$46,643/26. Motion to accept report was made by A.C. Rich and seconded by Steven Roberson. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

PNCFA Chief Officer of the Year Award –

1. Chief Officer of the year was awarded to Chief Don Crafford, Division Chief, Thomasville FD and Chief, Welcome Fire & Rescue
2. Chief of the year was awarded to Chief Dale Couch, Forbush VFD

Both recipients names will be forwarded to the NCAFC for their review for annual Chief awards.

Agency Reports

1. **NCSFA** – Ed Brinson gave report. He reconized present and past board members who were present. Steven Roberson, PNCFA representative, was sworn at August zoom meeting. Relief fund reports are due by October 31. Roster reports will open December 31. Planning for 2021 conferece is on the way – August 11-14, 2021. Legislature session begins soon. He updated status of volunteer fire departments (510C) being able to join the state retirement system. There is now a bill that has been submitted for review this session on the Federal level. Co-sponsors of this bill

have signed on. We have support in the House and Senate. If passed, we then go back to the State for them to repeal bill that prevents VFDs from joining in NC.

2. **NCAFC** – Dolly Hulin gave report. Working on mid-winter conference. Specialty tags deadline approaching. Survey sent out reference diversity in the fire service. Please respond.
3. **NVFC** – Quinton Cash gave report. Several topics covered. Several items on line. Lots of good information on line.
4. **NCFFF** – David Swain reported not a lot going on due to COVID. Helped with LODD in Clayton. Please go to website and check out our new merchandise. This is our only means of raising funds at this time. We do plan on having a booth at mid-Winter NCFCA Conference.
5. **NC Society of Fire/Rescue Instructors** – No report
6. **OSFM** – No report
7. **International Association of Fire Investigators** – No report
8. **SEAFCA** – Chief Len Needham gave report. Conference is June 21-26, 2021, in Biloxi, MS.
9. **NC Community Colleges** – No report
10. **NC Emergency Management** – No report
11. **NVFC** – No report.

Old Business –

1. April 16-17, 2021 – Buddy to Boss/Battleground Firefighter, Randolph Community College

New Business –

1. PNCFA Southern Director, Treasurer, Secretary elections. Ed Brinson and Kathy Weatherspoon have both agreed to serve another year. Only one submission for Southern Director, John Blythe, Hemby Bridge VFD. Since no other interest was received, they were declared winners to their positions by acclamation.
2. New Website and app – Website has been rebuilt and we have a new app, Piedmont NC Firefighters Association. Please check them both out. Updates will be posted on both.

Program: None

2021 Meeting Locations:

1. January 20, 2021 – Graham FD (Alamance County)
2. April 21, 2021 – Northwest Harnett FD (Harnett Co)
3. July 21, 2021 – Bahama FD (Durham Co)
4. October 27, 2021 – TBN

Adjournment – Motion made to adjourn by Brian Causey. The association meeting adjourned 7:15 PM.

Attendance: 18 on via video conference, 25 in person