



## PIEDMONT NORTH CAROLINA FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

QUARTERLY MEETING

FEBRUARY 2, 2022

HARNETT COUNTY COMMONS BUILDING

### Call to Order

President Steven Roberson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**Prayer** Chris Davis held the opening pray and blessing of the meal.

**Opening Comments:** President Roberson thanked Chief Chris Prince from the Northwest Harnett Fire Department and Chief Franky Hobson from the Coats-Grove Fire Department for hosting the meeting.

**Introduction of the Board:** President Roberson welcomed everyone. He introduced the PNCFA Board of Directors:

Steven Roberson, President

Brian Causey, First Vice-President

Scott Hackler, Second Vice-President

Johnny Blythe, South Director

Chad Garrett, North Director

Chris Davis, Past President

Ed Brinson, Treasurer

Kathy Weatherspoon, Executive Secretary

### Program

Dillon Briggs from the North Carolina Peer Support Team provided a presentation on Resiliency in the Fire Service. Dillon reported that firefighter suicide death certificates do not differentiate between career or volunteer members. They are simply listed as firefighter. Therefore, it is difficult to know the death rates between career and volunteer firefighters.

### Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the October 27, 2022 association meeting at the Pinecroft-Sedgefield Fire Department were presented for approval. Tim Bradley from Mebane motioned to approve the minutes. Brian Heath from Summerville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

### Treasurer's Report

Ed Brinson presented the details of Treasurer's report. The aggregate balance of all the accounts was \$43,832.81. Len Needham from Bahama motioned to accept the Treasurer's report. Jerry Brooks from Clemmons seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

### Agency Reports

1. **NCSFA** – Tim Bradley gave the agency report. He recognized past and present board members. A copy of the written report is on file with the PNCFA.

2. **NCAFC** – Wes Hutchins provided the report. He recognized past and present board members. He gave an overview of the mid-winter conference, chief and officer awards. The midwinter will be in Concord in 2023 and 2024. Donnie Hall has agreed to fill the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President position. Dues will increase to \$25.00 and \$5.00 of each dues paid will go to support the NCFFF. The NCAFC license plate bill did not pass.
3. **OSFM** – Kim Williams spoke on the VFD matching grants, Inspection classes, and the Technical Rope School on May 13-15.
4. **SEAFB**– Len Needham gave a report for the SEAFB. Len stated 10 states comprise the Southeastern association and this group has the largest number of members in the IAFC. Chief Donny Hall is the North Carolina representative. Len presented statistical information on Turn Your Attention to Fire Prevention.

### **Old Business**

President Roberson stated that our Scholarship application period will start January 1 and run through March 31, 2022.

### **New Business**

1. The next meeting will be on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Graham Fire Department.
2. There will be a special Cancer Benefit presentation at the May meeting and there will be no agency reports at the meeting.

### **No Further Business Came Before the Association**

**Adjournment** – Motion made by Jerry Brooks. The association meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.