



MINUTES

**Holly Springs Fire-Rescue District
Commission Board of Fire Control
Tuesday, May 7th , 2013
7:00pm**

A public meeting of the Holly Springs Fire-Rescue District Commission Board of Fire Control was held on Monday April 1st, 2013 at 7:00 pm. in the Clara W. Edwards Community Center of the Holly Springs Fire Department administrative building. Chairperson Roger Hall presided. The following members were present or absent as indicated:

List Present or Absent

Commissioners

Chairman Roger Hall - Present
Vice-Chairman Robby Golightly – Present
Commissioner Jerry Jackson. – Present
Commissioner Lee Jeffcoat – Present
Commissioner Scott Yarborough - Present

Administration

Chief Brent Blackwell – Present
Secretary Bonnie Fulton – Present
Accountant Ken Everham – Absent

Guest

Mr. Ryan Langley - Attorney

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notices of this meeting were posted on district website, posted on public information board, & mailed to the local media or other interested parties that formally requested such copies.

Invocation was rendered and the beginning prayer was led by Mr. Bruce Clayton.

With Approval of Board Members, Old Business, Gun Policy was moved up to accommodate Mr. Langley.

Mr. Langley was asked what our liability would be if we allowed firefighters to carry guns? Pursuant to 42 U.S. Code of 1983, in the case of injury or death, action is brought against the gun holder. However, it is not the job of the Fire Department to establish law. That is the responsibility of the Police Department. Mr. Langley recommends no guns on calls.

- 1. APPROVAL OF APRIL 2013 MINUTES** Commissioner Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed. Commissioner Yarborough seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.
- 2. DISTRICT OPERATIONS REPORTS**

Financials: All monthly reports emailed to Commissioners. Mr. Everham reported month end numbers.

Chief's Report : Chief handed out CAD summary for April 2013. Employee Handbook in rough draft stage. 2009 grant for washing machine was closed out. All new Extrication equipment came in May 7th, Grant money due any day. List of general Maintenance items handed out and briefly discussed. Cascade panel installed but tanks are leaking, tanks inspected and rust was found on the inside of all tanks, tanks are 14 years old, propose to replace one tank now, next during next budget and last during following budget.

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to purchase one 6000psi tank now. Commissioner Jeffcoat seconded. Vote unanimous, motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

Gun Control – Commissioner Jackson made a motion to allow no guns on calls, no guns in the building. If a firefighter normally carries a gun, it is to be locked in their car while on department premises or business. Commissioner Yarborough seconded. Vote 4 to 1. Commissioner Golightly voted against. Motion carried.

4th of July Update – Rain date will be July 6th. Target to raise is \$4000, beginning balance of \$923.

Support Group – By Laws Commissioner Jeffcoat read Proclamation. Commissioner Jackson made a motion to adopt the proclamation as read. Commissioner Golightly seconded. Vote unanimous, motion carried. First Support Group Meeting will be May 13th. Group will be assisting Juniors with their Memorial Day Fundraiser.

Update on Roof – Commissioner Golightly has contractors coming in during the next few days to quote roof replacement. Will call meeting as needed if a decision needs to be made.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Support Team – Commissioner Jeffcoat made a motion to give the Support Team \$500 to open an account with. Commissioner Jackson seconded. Vote unanimous, motion carried.

Pay Scale – Commissioner Jeffcoat handed out a paper indicating the need for a Cost of Living increase. Suggested some needed to be adjusted. Commissioner Golightly made a motion for a 3% increase for the Chief, Asst. Chief, Captains, Lieutenants, Fire fighters and Senior Firefighters. Commissioner Jackson seconded. Vote unanimous, motion carried.

Ethics Commission Letter – Statement of Economic Interest that all commissioners had to fill out. Commissioner Yarborough has taken care of this, Commissioner Hall to sign.

Budget 2013-2014 2nd Reading – Chief handed out a budget of \$373,000. Commissioners started making cuts. Needs to come down considerably. Commissioner Jeffcoat to assist.

5. CITIZENS AGENDA - none

6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** Commissioner Jeffcoat made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:55p.m. Commissioner Jackson Seconded. Vote unanimous, motion carried.
7. **ADJOURNMENT & CLOSING** Meeting adjourned at 10:30p.m.