

**NORTH GALIANO FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICE
COMMISSION
COMMISSIONERS MEETING
NGVFD Hall #1
Friday 17th May, 2024 10:00 am
MINUTES**

In attendance: *Ken Kucille, Rob Snape, Idora Scott, Sarah Knoebber*

Guests: *Chief Harris*

Zoom:

Regrets: *Kieran Kelleher*

Chair: *Ray Chouinard*

1. Approval of Agenda (*Snape, 2nd Scott*)
2. Approval of Minutes (*Snape, 2nd Kucille*)
3. Chair's Report
 - a. There has been no interaction with Vrable or AC Clark. **Chair Chouinard** called Director Paul Brent in regards to FD member benefits. Chief Harris confirms that SGVFD will not put benefits in place until August, and would welcome NGVFD on package. Chief Harris will research previous benefits proposals and confirm with SGVFD what plan they will be choosing. The CRD will have to approve. SGVFD society will establish a benefits package for both the north and south volunteers.
 - b. Vrable stated that Chiefs will likely become employees by June of 2025 to obtain CRD benefits. We are unsure as to how this will apply to the volunteers. South society will establish benefits packages for both North and South.
 - c. Chief Harris; The item to bring to the Society, the apron is deteriorating at Hall #2 (Retreat) and will need fixing.

4. Financial Report & Chief's Report

The new bylaws seem to determine the roles of the commission more clearly, and commissions are to remain in both administrative and advisory capacities. The definition of Chief responsibilities and staff responsibilities are also more clearly defined, as prior they were more implied. There appears to be no changes to schedule F, which apply to us directly.

5. Business Arising out of the Minutes or Report - none
6. Other Business
 - a. ERC Grant Opportunity: the idea was to apply for funding for the project to close off the training room and ERC office. After gathering information it is clear that we would have no capacity to move forward without CRD involvement
 - b. Add **Ken Kucille** to Society members, as it would appear that this may have previously been omitted.
7. Next Meeting: Friday, 21st June, 2024 10:00 at NGVFD Hall #1
8. Adjournment: 10:49