

## WAYNE COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

### SEYMOUR JOHNSON AIR FORCE BASE

**April 21, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by President Jonathan Holland. SJAFB Fire Chief, Sean Quinby, welcomed all in attendance. Delbert Edwards opened with a word of prayer. Special guests in attendance are Sheriff Larry Pierce and Commissioner Wayne Aycock. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer reported the following balances: Checking: \$26,723.38 and Savings: \$8,422.78. Mr. Allen Williford with Clayton FD and Wounded Warriors spoke concerning an upcoming fundraiser "Paddling for Pennies". It will take place May 20-25 2015. They will be paddling the Neuse River starting in North Raleigh at Falls Lake to New Bern, a total of 193 miles. They are asking all to take the pledge and donate 1 penny per mile paddled, or \$1.93. All proceeds will be divided between the "Firefighter's Assisting Armed Forces Families" and My US Veteran Corp". They are also using donations to assist 2 families of veterans, Ian McClanahan (former Fremont Volunteer Firefighter) and US Marine Ryan Wightman and his wife. Donations can be done via: [www.youcaring.com/nonprofits/paddling-for-pennies/307379](http://www.youcaring.com/nonprofits/paddling-for-pennies/307379). Mr. Curtis Stafford spoke concerning "Firemen's Walk" for Relay for Life. It will be held May 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 starting at 7:30pm at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. All interested firefighters are asked to meet at the Nahunta Fire Department tent to start. Please come out and show your support for those who have fought and those who are still fighting Cancer. Please wear your uniform/Fire department T-Shirt or your turn out gear.

#### Committee Reports:

**Standards:** Mr. Randy Rogers advised there will be a committee meeting on April 22nd at 18:30hrs at OES.

**Training:** Mr. Randy Gray announced that there were 260 Firefighter's that attended the Winter Fire School. Thanked all who participated.

**Training Grounds:** Mr. Phil Shivar spoke concerning the use of burn building facilities on SJAFB. A group from the association recently visited the base to look at the facilities. The committee recommended a memorandum of understanding be drawn up by Mr. Barret Graham so the Wayne County Firefighter's Association (all departments) can use the facilities on base. If used the base will need a Five (5) day notice before department will be given clearance to use.

Motion by Phil Shivar and seconded by Delbert Edwards. Motion passed.

**Competition Day:** The new dates are Saturday Sept. 12 and rain date is Sept 26<sup>th</sup>. It's still ok to enter a team. There are also shirts for sale so please see a committee member to purchase one.

**Fire Princess:** Mr. Brad Peele announced that the 2015 Fire Princess Pageant will be held Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 2015 at the Paramount Theatre in Goldsboro. Applications are due no later than Monday June 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 at 5:00pm. Applications can either be mailed to Stephanie Lack, 112 East Westwood Drive, Goldsboro NC 27530 or they can be dropped off at the Goldsboro News Argus in an envelope to her attention. A packet containing all information for applicants and departments was passed out tonight. The first meeting of contestants will be Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> @ Antioch VFD starting at 10:00am and a parent must accompany their daughter to this meeting. If any questions please contact Brad Peele or Director Stephanie Lack

**Brotherhood:** There were 2 assessments' this past month.

Mr. Malcolm Price (Seven Springs) Mr. John Tart (Grantham)

**Ladies Aux:** Reminder that scholarship applications are due by June 12<sup>th</sup> 2015. The next Auxiliary meeting will be held at Oakland Fire Department May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm.

**Unfinished Business.** President Holland discussed further a county wide paging system for the association. Danny Tillman presented to the association a free text messaging program called "Rainedout". The system will send out a 120 character text message to all who sign up using the following method: Text "84483" in the recipient line and then in the message line type "WCFIRE". You will receive a message back saying you are now subscribed to this service. The association will be using this service along with the emails to help keep members informed. There is also a link on the county association website for this service. ([www.wcfirefighters-association.com](http://www.wcfirefighters-association.com))

**New business:** Delbert Edwards spoke concerning to make a donation of \$250 from the association Delbert made motion seconded by Bill Yelverton motion carried. Fire Chief Sean Quinby spoke concerning the air show needing a department with a brush truck to help. If interested please let him know ASAP.

**OES:** Bryan sent email out on current fire commissioners for each district. Please review this list for accuracy and if there are any changes that you would like to make please send them to Bryan Taylor by May 15<sup>th</sup>. OES held a Chief's meeting recently to discuss the implementation of the new upgraded radio system. Due to events at the college on the scheduled transfer date EMS was postponed until Tuesday. On Wednesday because of some issues with some of the M7100's during programming the volunteer departments were delayed until 8am Thursday. Goldsboro Fire was moved on Wednesday around 4pm. The programming for the fire departments was completed on April 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have a radio that was not programmed please notify OES as soon as possible. There are also some mobiles that are logging onto the backup system even though they are showing MAIN B1. If you have a mobile that is doing this please notify OES as soon as possible. The Sheriff's office and local law enforcement will be moved on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and the transition to new system should be complete next week with Goldsboro PD

being moved over. Bryan stated as before if there are any questions or issues to please email them to OES so they can be addressed.

Next meeting at Patetown

Steven Bryan ended meeting with prayer remember all unspoken and spoken prayers

Meeting ended at 20:45hrs.

Special Announcements:

Patetown Fire Department will be holding a BBQ Chicken Fundraiser on May 2<sup>nd</sup> 4pm-until

Rosewood Fire Department will be holding a Reverse Drawing on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Please see a member for more info and tickets.

Smith Chapel Fire Department will be holding a Drawing on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Please see a member for more information.

Submitted by,

Secretary/Treasurer

Danny Tillman