

BLACKMAN FIRE DISTRICT MEETING

4 May 2023

REGULARLY SCHEDULED

EMERGENCY

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

WORKSHOP

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Chairperson Larry Cunningham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Wade Merritt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Sec/Tres Jim Lawson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Steve Lawson	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Stephen Fountain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Welcome/Call Meeting to Order
Pledge of Allegance

Minutes from 6 April 2023 were read and approved

Financial report For April 2023 was read and approved.

Chiefs Report: 1 Brush fire, 8 Medical, 2 MVA, 1 Rescue 3 Hazard calls for a total of 17 calls for the month.

NWF Speed way did not like the contract that was written up charging a minimum of \$400 for the first 6 hours and then \$100 for overtime. The contract was changed to charge \$60 an hour for ever how many hours the race required fire fighting apparatuses.

Brandon Hudson and Anthony Hillen are new prospects for volunteers.

Chief Melanson requested the department purchase two new chainsaws. A quote is to be obtained and approved at the June 2023 meeting.

The performance review required by florida statutes will cost a minimum of \$25000 and has to be recertified every 5 years. Attorney Holloway is scheduled to attend the 1 June meeting to discuss this issue and provide his services.

HB 1103 if and when activated could impact the charging a fee for open land in our district. This will cause a serious impact on our budget.

The application for a Florida Forestry 50/50 grant was approved to ask for \$25000. The district is working rapidly to get items purchased and required data to the state in hopes of getting a 100% refund and worse case 50% refund.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING 1 June 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

These minutes were approved and accepted as read this date _____

Larry Cunningham Chairperson_____

James Lawson, Secretary_____