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# June 14th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

### Call to Order

The meeting of the East Niceville Fire Commission was called to order by Chairman Schwab at the East Niceville Fire Department at 6:00PM. Schwab led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Tisa gave the invocation.

### Roll Call

Commissioner's Schwab, Evans, Mauck, Tisa, Revell were in attendance, Chief Birch and Deputy Chief Kramer also present.

### Approval of May Minutes

The May Minutes were reviewed by the Board Commissioners Revell moved to approve the April minutes. Seconded by Leo Tisa, Motion passes.

## **Treasures Report**

Dep. Chief Kramer presented current financials of the district to include all balances in all accounts and any notable monies being paid out. The district's complete amount of money in all three accounts to include the C.D. is \$650,430.54 Commissioner Mauck moved to accept report, Tisa seconds, financial report accepted unanimously.

### **Old Business**

No Old Business

#### **New Business**

The Board was briefed by Chief Birch and Dep Chief Kramer on the State of Florida Special Taxing Districts Performance Review. A comprehensive review of the fire district's services provided to its tax payers. The report would be submitted to the Florida State legislators and the East Niceville Fire Commissioners. A lengthy discussion took place on securing an independent contractor to perform the review per state guidelines and budgeting the review next Fiscal year.

The East Niceville Board of Fire Commissioners discussed current millage of 0.00301760. Some proposals were presented to the Board of millage increases and rising costs of providing fire protection.

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It was decided after a lengthy debate on different options that an increase was needed. Commissioner Mauck moves to increase millage to 0.003400 seconded by Commissioner Tisa. Motion passes by a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Evans voting no. Proposed millage increase will be submitted to State and County offices for notification.

A Budget of \$1,498,664.00 for FY 22-23 was presented to the Commissioners The Board approved The Proposed budget by a vote a 5-0 all in favor. The FY22/23 Budget will be submitted to the county and state for record July 1st 2022

## **Chief's Report**

Chief Birch gave a brief report on current events of the Fire Dept. This included personnel staffing and vehicle status.

# **Adjourn**

After no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20PM

The next meeting was scheduled for July 12th, 2022

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Fire Chief David S. Birch