

WAKE COUNTY FIRE COMMISSION
Thursday, April 30, 2009
Special Called Meeting – FY10 Budget Recommendation
DRAFT Minutes

(Audio Replays of the meeting are available upon request)

A special called meeting of the Wake County Fire Commission was held on Monday, June 8th, 2009, 7:00 PM, in the Wake County EMS Training Facility, Cary Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Lucius Jones called the meeting to order and provided an invocation.

The following members were present: Chief Tony Mauldin, Commissioner Paul Coble, and Chief Rodney Privette.

The following members were present via teleconference: Battalion Chief Lee Price, Ms. Ann Suggs

Members absent were: Mr. Robert Stagg, Mr. Billy Myrick, Chief Cecil Parker, Chief David Cates, Chief Chris Wilson, Chief Mike Cooper, Chief Mark Haraway and Ms. Barbara Poole.

The following County staff were present: Director of Fire and Emergency Management Raymond Echevarria, and Budget and Management Analyst Jason Horton.

The agenda was approved as submitted.

**CONSIDER FACILITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR DORMITORY
PROJECT BID AWARD**

Chief Ed Brinson, Facility Committee Chair, provided the Facility Committee's recommendation to award the dormitory project bid to J. D. Beam, Inc. Chief Brinson informed the Fire Commission the committee recommends that the Fire Commission support accepting project deduct #2 which removes Wake-New Hope Fire Station #2 from the project since the station is not occupied on a 24-hour basis.

The following stations will be included in the project:

- Fairview Fire Station #2
- Stony Hill Fire Station #2
- Swift Creek Fire Station
- Fairview Fire Station #1
- Bay Leaf Fire Station #2

Discussion followed on the recommendation. After discussion, Chief Mauldin motioned to approve the Facility Committee recommendation and recommend that Board of Commissioners award the dormitory project bid to J.D. Beam. After a second by Ms. Ann Suggs, the motion carried on a unanimous vote.

CONSIDER COMPENSATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO IMPLEMENT RETIREMENT FUNDING PLAN

Captain David Price provided a recommendation that the Fire Commission approve a plan to implement a standardized retirement funding amount of 9.87% of career employees' salary.

Captain Price informed the Fire Commission the committee recommends implementing the funding July 1, 2009, based on:

- Retirement funding requirements are to be included as Section 8 of the Fire Service Compensation Plan.
- Retirement contributions can only be used for a retirement plan that is a United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) qualified retirement plan.
- Each department will submit a letter of certification to the Compensation Committee by the department's plan administrator verifying that the department's plan is an IRS qualifying plan.
- The department's annual audit will include documentation of the approved funding amount for retirement plans and the amount of funds spent on qualifying plan payments for the fiscal year.

After discussion, Ms. Ann Suggs motioned to approve the Compensation Committee's recommendation. After a second by Battalion Chief Lee Price, the motion carried on a unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.