

**ENKA-CANDLER FIRE & RESCUE FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING/OPEN SESSION**  
**MARCH 15, 2021**

- Ronnie Gentry called the meeting to order 18:48
- Members Present: Ronnie Gentry, Curtis Hipps, Ed Orrell, Larry Wilson, Mike Smathers, John W. Smathers.
- Mr. Hipps gave Invocation.
- Mr. Orrell was asked by Mr. Gentry to lead the “Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America”.
- Chief Beddingfield read the conflict of interest statement with no conflicts noted.
- November Minutes reviewed and approved with no changes
  - Motion was made by Mr. M. Smathers/Second by Mr. Wilson approved 100%
- Treasurers Report given by Chief Beddingfield Approved Motion by Mr. M. Smathers/Second by Mr. Wilson.
  - Chief reviewed items over budget and under budget
  - Covered CARES reimbursements for COVID
- Chief Beddingfield reviewed the following:
  - Volunteer Report Nothing to report
  - Auxiliary Report Nothing to Report
  - Chief’s Report
  - Update on Upcoming Mid-Winter Conference reschedule to May Capt Landt and FF Cary attending.

- OSFM inspection June 6 & 7th, E-102 status, Station 3 update, and Financial picture.
- SAFER conference in August Chief Beddingfield will be attending
- FY 21-22 budget recommend to stay at current rate and Board approved
- Renewal of contract with BC. Discussed the issues and changes required by them on same. No more that 25% balance, changing Charter eliminating funds from dissolved department going to the BC schools.
- Mr. Chad Greene spoke to BOD regarding the issues he brought up during annual meeting.
  - Discussed issue of member related to employees working here and Volunteers serving on the BOD. Mr. Gentry advised he got a letter from attorney regarding same and Mr. Hips did also.
  - Stated he had been contacted by SBI in regards to work he had done for the fire department. Reported some issues he had during same and reports of issues he knew of. That he pulled his bid for station 3 and could have save significantly us a lot of monies but didn't want to deal with more harassment as before.
  - Stated SBI told him he wasn't the one under investigation.
- Mr. Orrell and Mr. J. Smathers agreed that the BOD must change the bi-laws and how the BOD conduct business. We are under the public eye and the county is looking at all departments, stated Mr. J. Smathers. It was bought up that the BOD should move to executive to continue discussion.
- Adjourned to executive session to discuss more about Mr. Greene's topic

Submitted by Randy E. King