PINE HILL FIRE DISTRICT #1 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 28, 2019 8:00PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Waddington at 8:00 p.m. Chairman Waddington led the salute to the flag and read the following Open Public Meeting announcement:

<u>OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT</u>: Chairman Waddington said that the meeting was advertised in the Courier-Post Newspaper in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL: Commissioner Davis – present, Commissioner Hassett – present, Commissioner Wakeley – present, Commissioner Waddington – present, Commissioner Warrington – present

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Chief William Dukes Sr., Deputy Chief John Greer, Mayor Christopher Green, Police Chief Christopher Winters and some staff, IAFF Local 3249 President Keith Kemery, Captain Joseph Hunter, PHFD President Joseph Pfeiffer, Chief Haines, Former Chief Nolan

<u>PURPOSE OF MEETING:</u> Chairman Waddington said that the purpose of the meeting was to review the need and possible hiring of two additional full-time firefighters. Chairman Waddington said that since formal action will be taken at this meeting, he will open the floor to the public to address any questions or concerns about the hiring.

<u>OPEN THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC</u>: Chairman Waddington asked for a motion to open the floor to the public. A motion to open the floor to the public was made by Commissioner Wakeley and seconded by Commissioner Warrington. Motion passed with five yes votes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There were no questions.

<u>CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC:</u> Commissioner Waddington asked for a motion to close the floor to the public. A motion to close the floor to the public was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Wakeley. Motion passed with five yes votes.

WORDS FROM CHAIRMAN WADDINGTON: Chairman Waddington thanked everyone for attending. He said that the two firefighter positions were approved through previous resolutions and that the hiring process used by the fire district is similar to the civil service hiring guidelines.

<u>WORDS FROM MAYOR GREEN:</u> Mayor Green thanked the Commissioners for inviting him to the meeting. He said that it is a great day for the Fire District and the residents of Pine Hill. Mayor Green said that he appreciates the fiscal responsibility shown by the Fire District Commissioners throughout the years. He offered his congratulations to the two firefighters being sworn-in tonight.

WORDS FROM COMMISSIONER HASSETT: Commissioner Hassett said that he is very proud of the two firefighters being hired as career firefighters. He said that he has known them for many years, and they are hard-working and upstanding individuals. Commissioner Hassett also said that the two new firefighters will be working with Captain Hunter and Jim Gordon, who are two great guys who are dedicated to their jobs and it shows in the quality of their work.

WORDS FROM CHIEF DUKES: Chief Dukes welcomed everyone in attendance. He said that he is proud of the 102-year history of the Pine Hill Fire Department. He briefly explained how three fire stations were consolidated into one fire station. Chief Dukes said that the Pine Hill Fire Department is continually improving its operations and has undergone major changes in the last 10 years. He said that last year the fire department responded to approximately 900 fire calls. He said that adding two additional full-time firefighters will benefit the residents of Pine Hill. Chief Dukes thanked the Commissioners for approving the two additional firefighters and congratulated the two firefighters chosen.

FORMAL ACTION: Chairman Waddington asked for a motion for the hiring of Salvatore S. Delozier-Pizzo as a full-time firefighter. A motion was made by Commissioner Wakeley and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve the hiring of Salvatore S. Delozier-Pizzo as a full-time firefighter with the Pine Hill Fire Department.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Davis – yes, Commissioner Hassett – yes, Commissioner Wakeley – yes, Commissioner Waddington - yes, Commissioner Warrington – yes. Motion passed.

Swearing-in of Salvatore S. Delozier-Pizzo: Mayor Green officially conducted the swearing-in of Salvatore S. Delozier-Pizzo. Deputy Chief John Greer read a brief bio of Sal's history with the Pine Hill Fire Department and Chief Dukes presented Sal with a plaque and frontace piece.

FORMAL ACTION: Chairman Waddington asked for a motion for the hiring of John J. Duvall as a full-time firefighter. A motion was made by Commissioner Hassett and seconded by Commissioner Warrington to approve the hiring of John J. Duvall as a full-time firefighter with the Pine Hill Fire Department.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Davis – yes, Commissioner Hassett – yes, Commissioner Wakeley – yes, Commissioner Waddington - yes, Commissioner Warrington – yes. Motion passed.

Swearing-in of John J. Duvall: Mayor Green officially conducted the swearing-in of John J. Duvall. Deputy Chief John Greer read a brief bio of John's history with the Pine Hill Fire Department and Chief Dukes presented John with a plaque and frontace piece.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Waddington congratulated Sal and John and asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Wakeley. Motion passed with five yes votes. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Kenneth Davis, Secretary

John Campanella, Administrator