

Oconee County Fire Rescue
Station Chiefs Meeting
Station 8 – 6:00 PM
May 8, 2023

CHIEFS PRESENT:

Fire Chief, Bruce Thaxton
Station #1 Chief, Mike Link
Station #2 Captain, Allen Peck
Station #4 Chief, Chris Higginbotham

Station #5 Chief, Jason Mauldin
Station #6 Asst. Chief, Wes Boss
Station #7 Asst. Chief, Glen Cain
Station #8 Captain, Matt Towe

OPEN MEETING called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion to approve the April 10, 2023 minutes was approved.

I. Truck / Station Maintenance:

1. Looked over outstanding work orders for Fire Rescue.
2. Bruce noted that OCFR is trying to find replacement batteries for the Argus TIC's. Two vendors have been contacted to produce TIC batteries. Chiefs were reminded to test the TIC batteries for at least five minutes on Truck & Station Maintenance nights. 7 of 18 TIC batteries are currently out of service. The Argus TIC's and batteries are obsolete and no longer available to purchase.

II. Training:

1. Chiefs reviewed the training schedule for May. May training consists of (22) various fire & medical classes, and Truck / Station Maintenance nights at each station.
2. Chiefs reviewed the Potential Firefighter and Medical Responder roster.
3. Chiefs reviewed the monthly training hours for April 2023.
4. Bruce noted there are four NPQ Firefighter 1 recruits and four Support Firefighter recruits remaining in the current class. One potential Firefighter is ready for the Fire Assessment Lab.

III. Miscellaneous:

1. Bruce noted that ISO will evaluate OCFR on May 17th, 2023. Chiefs were encouraged to clean all Fire trucks, and Tanker compartments on 202, 402, 502, 602, and 702. Station bays need to be cleaned also.

2. Bruce asked the Chiefs to make sure weekly training reports reflect training titles on monthly calendars.
3. Chiefs reviewed volunteers that are lack training hours. All non-career Medical Responders and Firefighters must have the annual 24 hours of training prior to December 15th, 2023. Chiefs were encouraged to contact members that are lacking training hours.

Meeting adjourned by consensus of the Chiefs. Time = 6:45 pm.

Minutes taken & typed by Bruce Thaxton.