

**Oconee County Fire Rescue  
Station Chiefs Meeting  
Station 8 – 6:00 PM  
November 14, 2023**

**CHIEFS PRESENT:**

**Fire Chief**, Bruce Thaxton  
**Station #1 Chief**, Mike Link  
**Station #2 Chief**, Greg Peck  
**Station #4 Chief**, Chris Higginbotham

**Station #5 Chief**, Jason Mauldin  
**Station #6 Chief**, Britt Alger  
**Station #7 Chief**, Nelson Wilbanks

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

Motion to approve the October 16, 2023 minutes was approved.

**I. Truck / Station Maintenance:**

1. Looked over outstanding work orders for Fire Rescue. Mike Link noted that the tank to pump valve was leaking on Engine 604.

**II. Training:**

1. Chiefs reviewed the training schedule for November. November training consists of (23) 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 October 2023.
4. Bruce noted that seven OCFR volunteer recruits and three Oconee Sheriff's Office deputies passed all testing for the Medical Responder course. Recruits now have to complete 36 hours of riding on National EMS ambulances.

**III. Miscellaneous:**

1. Bruce noted the Watkinsville Christmas Parade lineup for fire and rescue trucks.
2. Station Chiefs provided Christmas dinner dates for December. Stations 4 and 6 will provide dates at a later time.
3. Bruce noted that non-compliant helmets are being swapped out due to the 10-year life cycle.
4. Bruce asked the Station Chiefs to set a date in January to clean out station offices and bay areas of items that need to be carried to the landfill.

5. 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 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Chiefs were encouraged to contact members that are lacking training hours.

Meeting adjourned by consensus of the Chiefs. Time = 6:50 pm.

Minutes taken & typed by Bruce Thaxton.