

East Niceville Fire District

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Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Date: January 13, 2026

Time: 5:05 PM (called to order)

Location: Fire Station 13

Present: Chairman Revell, Chief Kramer, Leo Tisa John Hohmeier, Ken Delprincipe, Larry Sjostrom

Public Present: None

1) Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at **5:05 PM**.
 - **Pledge of Allegiance** completed.
 - **Prayer/Invocation** offered.
 - **Public Comment:** None present.
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2) Approval of Prior Minutes

December 2025 Minutes

- Motion: **Accept December minutes (: Larry)**
 - Second: **Leo**
 - Vote: **Unanimous (passed)**
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3) Treasurer's Report (As of January 1, 2026)

Account Balances

- Money Market: **\$383,450.40**
- Payroll Account: **\$6,493.55**
- General Bill Pay: **\$38,655.18**

- CD (matured): **\$40,366.54**
- December Revenue Received: **\$306,242.32**
- Total Bank Balance (as of Jan 1): **\$468,965.67**
 - Note stated that balance is “a little higher” due to additional deposits already received after Jan 1.

Monthly Activity Highlights

- Monthly deductions total: **\$28,602.03**
- Checks issued total: **\$10,941.27**
- Payroll (3 payrolls):
 - Payroll #1: **\$24,232.44**
 - Payroll #2: **\$22,667.44**
 - Payroll #3: **\$22,747.97**
 - Payroll total: **\$69,647.85**
- Total monthly expenditures: **\$109,191.15**

Motion to Accept Treasurer’s Report

- Motion: **John**
 - Second: **Kendall Princey**
 - Vote: **Unanimous (passed)**
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4) Old Business

- **None noted.**
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5) New Business

Pension Board – Fifth Trustee Seat

- Firefighters elected **Bobby Flynn** (new firefighter from Destin; prior pension board experience).
- Board action required to approve appointment.

Motion: Approve **Bobby Flynn** as 5th trustee

- Motion: **Leo**
- Second: **Larry**
- Vote: **Unanimous (passed)**

6) Chief's Report

Operations / Stations

- Routine operations; average call load; no major issues noted.
- **Bay door repair** still pending.

Apparatus

- **New fire truck returned "10-8"** (in service/available) as of the day before the meeting.
- Crews scheduled to review the truck and decide on any final add-ons/extras **before delivery acceptance**.
- Estimated delivery timing: **~1 to 1.5 months**.

Personnel / Training

- Chief met with captains to review goals for the year.
- One firefighter requested approval to attend **next paramedic program**; chief approved starting paperwork.
- Three members attended a convention last week; two attended for the first time.
- Another convention/classes next month; several members signed up.

Regional Consolidation / Contracting Discussion (Niceville / Valparaiso / North Bay)

- Chief addressed recent reporting and clarified:
 - **Valparaiso** contracted with **Niceville** on **administrative/inspection services only**, month-to-month.
 - Niceville has **not** "taken over" Valparaiso FD; Valparaiso still intends to have its own chief/department.
 - Chief is assisting Valparaiso with recruiting/interviewing for a new chief (informal support; no fee mentioned).

Upcoming Meeting

- Scheduled meeting to discuss consolidation proposal:
 - **Date/Time: January 22, 2026 at 1:00 PM**
 - **Location: Rocky Bayou Country Club** (neutral ground, within district)
 - Attendees intended: Fire chiefs + one commissioner/chair from each (East Niceville + North Bay) and **Niceville's fire chief + one Niceville commissioner**.
 - Chief noted uncertainty whether the **Niceville city manager** would attend

Administrative Note

- **W-2 question:** Chief to check with payroll regarding possible error or extra pay period; revise if necessary.
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7) Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn made and seconded .
 - Vote: **Approved**
 - Meeting adjourned at approximately **5:38 PM**
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