

East Niceville Fire District

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East Niceville Fire District Commissioners Meeting

12/09/2025

Attendance

- **Present:**
 - **Absent:** Larry Sjostrom
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Call to order

- **Time:** 5:03 PM
 - Prayer and Pledge completed.
 - No public present for public comment.
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Approval of previous minutes

- **Item:** November minutes
 - **Motion:** Leo
 - **Second:** Ken Delprincipe
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval
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Treasurer's report (presented by Chief Kramer)

Balances (as of Dec 1 report):

- Money Market: **\$233,570.29**
- Payroll Account: **\$27,027.45**
- General Bill Pay: **\$2,526.38**
- CD (matures 12/29): **\$40,363.52**

- Reported total deposits for November: **\$61,000**
- Total listed funds: **\$303,487.64**

Expenditures:

- “Normal monthly” checks: **\$28,925.01**
- Additional four checks totaling **\$19,488.60**
 - County check
 - Salem retirement
 - Williams’s communication (two vehicles)

- Payroll:
 - 10/5: **\$26,334**
 - 10/19: **\$25,406**
 - Total payroll: **\$51,741.55**
- Total monthly expenditures stated: **\$100,155.16**

CD discussion / direction needed:

- CD renews every **3 months** automatically.
- Maturity date **12/29**.
- **8-day window** to change/withdraw/add funds → action needed by **12/21**.
- Board sentiment: keep CD in place for now; possibly increase CD amount after January revenue depending on budget planning.

Motion to approve treasurer’s report:

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Old business

- None.
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New business

- None formally introduced.

- Chief noted meeting with healthcare provider(s) **tomorrow at 1:00 PM** to review/confirm new-year healthcare situation.
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Chief's report / operations update

- Station operations are running smoothly.
 - Christmas parade was postponed from last weekend to **this Saturday**.
 - ENFD will participate with Santa on the fire truck; ENFD will be **out of service during parade**, with **City and North Bay covering district**.
 - Expected parade attendance may be lower due to schedule conflicts (Destin parade and multiple Santa 5Ks).
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Regional fire service / consolidation discussion

- City of Valp has been without a chief; they asked Chief Kramer to assist in selecting a new fire chief. Chief plans to assemble a candidate/selection “package” to help them find a good fit.
 - Ongoing consolidation talks among **Niceville / Valp / North Bay / ENFD**:
 - Chief Kramer has spoken with the Niceville chief and city leadership.
 - Chief reiterated ENFD will not repeat prior model where ENFD provided taxpayer funds to Niceville (described as previously abused).
 - Concern raised about staffing retention problems in the other departments, suggesting absorption by them would weaken morale/retention.
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Facilities / apparatus bay door repair

- Engine 13 bay door motor failed when bottom sensor didn't stop the door; motor casing exploded.
 - Entire motor must be replaced; cost is expected to be **several thousand dollars**.
 - Part not in stock; estimated downtime **2–3 weeks**.
 - Door cannot be practically operated manually; closing requires two people.
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Adjournment / next meeting

- Meeting closed with holiday wishes.
- **Next scheduled meeting: January 13.**
