

**WAKE COUNTY FIRE COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
Thursday, February 10, 2000  
(Adopted Thursday, March 16, 2000)**

The Wake County Fire Commission met Thursday, February 10, 2000, at 5:30 p.m. at the Wake County Commons Building, Cary Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina.

**Members Present:** Ed Brinson, West Region/Primary  
Ray Echevarria, Director-Fire/Rescue Division  
Phil Mitchell, South Region/Primary  
Ned Perry, Citizen/Consumer  
Sidney Perry, President of Fireman's Association  
Charles Sannipoli, Citizen/Consumer  
Buddy Scarboro, Wendell Town Representative  
Tom Vaughan, East Region/Primary  
Bonnie Woodruff, Citizen/Consumer

**Members Absent:** Cloyce Anders, External Facilitator  
Yevonne Brannon, Wake County Commissioner  
Tony Chiotakis, West Region/Alternate  
Blaine Parks, Citizen/Consumer(Alternate)  
Donald Pierce, South Region/Alternate  
Rodney Privette, East Region/Alternate  
A.C. Rich, North Region/Primary  
Ron Roof, North Region/Alternate  
Nancy Schwarm, Citizen/Consumer

**Staff Present:** Chris Perry, Chief Deputy Fire Marshal  
Charles Ottaway, Public Safety Shift Supervisor

Ray Echevarria called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon motion of Mr. Ned Perry, seconded by Chief Ed Brinson, the Wake County Fire Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the November 16, 1999, meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Update on Budget Process:**

All but two or three of the budgets have been turned in. Sherry will be contacting the Chiefs to schedule meetings. Will have budget recommendations to the Fire Commission early March for discussion at the March meeting.

### **Discussion of Subcommittee Structure:**

The following appointments were made to the Manpower/Staffing Subcommittee:

Chief Vaughan - Chair  
Chief Mitchell  
Charles Sannipoli  
Chief Perry

The following appointments were made to the Apparatus/Facilities Subcommittee:

Ned Perry - Chair  
Bonnie Woodruff  
Buddy Scarboro

Will contact the remaining Fire Commission members.

### **Attendance:**

Max Ashworth resigned from the Fire Commission thus opening a Citizen/Consumer slot.  
Clerk to notify Schwarm & Parks.

### **Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Fund (Presentation by Chief Sidney Perry and Mr. Donald Horton w/discussion) [Handout]:**

Motion to recommend to Board of Commissioners by Chief Vaughan, seconded by Charles Sannipoli. Motion carried unanimously.

### **EMS Task Force Study Update:**

### **Request from Apex Fire Department via Chief Brinson:**

Apex Fire Department requests \$15,000 due to unexpected equipment repair.

Recommendation for the department to use emergency contingency fund.

Chief Brinson requested that a letter of the recommendation be given to the Apex Fire Department President. Mr. Echevarria stated he would relay the request to Mr. Cloyce Anders.

*(10 minute break. Meeting resumed at 6:30 PM)*

**Willow Springs Fire Station / Expansion of Insurance District:**

Two issues before the Fire Commission:

1. Location of Station(s) in order to provide insurance credit.
2. Prototype of "Co-location station"

Referred to subcommittees.

**Public Comments:**

No public comments were requested to be heard. Therefore, the public comments portion of the meeting was declared closed.

**Adjournment:**

With no other business, motion to adjourn made by Buddy Scarboro, seconded by Ned Perry. Motion carried.

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