

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer, J. P. Steelman, at 10:00 a.m., called the August 10, 2023, meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to order at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas.

Attending	Chris Cantu Mike Jones J. P. Steelman	David Coatney Clyde Loll* Kelly Vandygriff	Sue DeVillez Bob Morgan Rusty Wilson	Michael Glynn Mala Sharma*	Paul Hamilton Tim Smith
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\*Excused absence

Staff	Mike Wisko Amanda Khan Robert Reese	Holden Wenger Candace Barnett Grace Wilson	Sami Lepisto Ashley Barnett Rosalind Hunt, Assistant Attorney General	Rick Wallace Justin Fowler
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Guests See Guest List attached.

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance  
The invocation was given by Commissioner Rusty Wilson and the Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Presiding Officer, J. P. Steelman.
2. Roll call and excuse of Commissioner absences  
The roll was called, and a quorum was present.
3. Adoption of Minutes  
A motion was made by Michael Glynn and seconded by David Coatney to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023, commission meeting. The motion carried.
4. Recognition of Chief Ken Swindle for his service to TCFP  
Chief Swindle was unable to attend, though recognition of his service was announced. A plaque will be presented to him by Daniel DeYear at a later date.
5. Report from Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee  
Committee Chair, Bob Morgan announced a committee meeting at 9:00 a.m. on October 26, 2023.
6. Reports from Interest Groups  
A brief report was given by TEEX, the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, the State Fire Fighters and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, the Texas Fire Marshal's Association, Texas A&M Forest Service, the National Fire Protection Association, the Texas State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts, and the Center for Public Safety Excellence.
7. Report from Homeland Security Council  
A brief report was given by Agency Chief, Mike Wisko.
8. Report from Health & Wellness  
A brief report was given by Agency Chief, Mike Wisko in the absence of Committee Chair, Mala Sharma.

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9. Subjects for future meeting agendas      Vacancies on all committees.
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10. Future meeting Dates      The Commission announced the next meeting date, October 26, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and set future meeting dates for February 29, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., May 15, 2024, workshop at 10:00 a.m., and May 16, 2024, meeting at 9:00 a.m. August and November dates to be determined at a later date.
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11. Discussion and possible action on 37 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 443, Certification Curriculum Manual      A motion was made by Chris Cantu and seconded by Paul Hamilton to adopt the proposed changes to 37 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 443, Certification Curriculum Manual.
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12. Discussion and possible action on 37 TAC, Chapter 421, Standards for Certification      A motion was made by David Coatney and seconded by Chris Cantu to approve for submission to the Texas Register proposed changes to TAC, Chapter 421, Standards for Certification.
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13. Discussion and possible action on 37 TAC, Chapter 403, Criminal Convictions and Eligibility for Certification      A motion was made by Chris Cantu and seconded by David Coatney to move to approve for for submission to the Texas Register proposed changes to 37 TAC 403, Criminal Convictions and Eligibility for Certification.
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14. Discussion and possible action on 37 TAC, Chapter 463, Advisory Committees      A motion was made by David Coatney and seconded by Rusty Wilson to move to approve for for submission to the Texas Register, subject to approval by the Gover's Office, proposed changes to 37 TAC 463, Advisory Committees, with proposed changes in 463.7.
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15. Discussion and possible action on 37 TAC, Chapter 439, Examinations for Certification, matrix 439.19      A motion was made by Kelly Vandygriff and seconded by David Coatney to approve for submission to the Texas Register proposed changes to 37 TAC, 439, Examinations for Certification, matrix 439.19.
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16. Matters referred from the Curriculum and Testing Committee
- A. A motion was made by Mike Jones and seconded by Bob Morgan to move 37 TAC, 469, Technical Rescue to the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee for further review.
- B. A motion was made by Mike Jones and seconded by David Coatney to charge the Curriculum Testing Committee with the evaluation of the Marine Ad Hoc Committee and its members.
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17. Discussion and possible action on filling the current vacancy on the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee
- A motion made by Mike Jones and seconded by Bob Morgan to table this item until the October 2023 commission meeting.
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18. Fire Fighter Injury Report
- Grace Wilson gave an update on the 2022 data collected regarding the fire fighter injuries and the recommendations to be submitted to the State Fire Marshal's Office.
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19. Matters from Agency Chief
- A. Agency Chief, Mike Wisko, gave an update on agency duties and responsibilities.
- B. Mr. Wisko reported that there was one contested case.
- C. Mr. Wisko reported the status of division functions.
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20. Executive Session
- The Commission went into an executive session at 11:02 a.m. that ended at 12:04 p.m. No action was taken during the closed session. The Commission reconvened the open meeting at 12:05 p.m. A motion was made by Mike Jones and seconded by Michael Glynn to approve a salary increase from \$123,883.00 to \$140,000.00 for the Agency Chief, Mike Wisko, effective September 1, 2023.
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J. P. Steelman, Presiding Officer