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| Subject: | OATH OF OFFICE |
| Section: | PPG# 2104 |
| Chapter: | Personnel |
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1.0 POLICY

- 1.1 Fire department personnel shall commit to provide service by way of a general standard to which the general public can measure the performance of the McLane/Black Lake Fire Department.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Commissioners Chairperson, or his/her designee, to administer the firefighters oath upon;
- 2.1.1 Membership with McLane/Black Lake Fire Department, and/or
 - 2.1.2 Graduation from the recruit academy.
- 2.2 It shall be the responsibility of the Fire Chief, or his/her designee, to administer the firefighters oath upon;
- 2.2.1 Completion of the Badge Pinning Ceremony and/or
 - 2.2.2 Promotion to an officer rank.

3.0 GUIDELINES

- 3.1 This policy applies to all members (recruits, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and fire officers) engaged in providing direct emergency service delivery.

The Oath of Office will be performed on all new members, except those exempt, and upon completion of the badge pinning ceremony of any member by the Fire Chief or his/her designee.

- 3.1.1 All members will stand.
- 3.1.2 While raising her/her hand will recite the Oath of Office.

3.2 Firefighter's Oath of Office***MCLANE / BLACK LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT
OATH OF OFFICE***

As a firefighter and member of the McLane/Black Lake Fire Department my fundamental duty is to serve the people of our community.

I will commit to safeguard and preserve life, health, and property against fire and other perils.

I will uphold the standards of my profession.

I will never allow neither personal feelings, nor the danger to self, to deter me from my responsibilities as a firefighter.

I will at all times respect the property and rights of all men and women.

I will at all times respect and uphold the laws of our great nation and the policies and procedures of the McLane/Black Lake Fire Department.

I recognize the badge of office as a symbol of public faith and trust, and I accept so long as I am true to the ethics of the fire service.

As a member of the McLane/Black Lake Fire Department, I accept this self-imposed and self-enforced obligation as my responsibility.

I make these promises solemnly, freely, and upon my honor.