

## **Bonifay Fire-Rescue**

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Honorable Mayor Emily McCann & Council Members of the City of Bonifay:

Bonifay Fire-Rescue has enjoyed five consecutive years of growth, service, and improvement under the leadership of Chief Larry Cook. During his remarkable tenure, we have added new trucks, expanded our facility, and responded to record numbers of calls. Most importantly, we have recruited, trained, and retained several new firefighters, many of whom are employed as career firefighters, paramedics and EMTs for other paid agencies. Our staff is extremely trained, competent, and professional, a credit owed directly to the outstanding leadership of Chief Cook.

With the recent election of Chief Larry Cook to the Bonifay City Council, Chief Cook has tendered his official resignation as City of Bonifay Fire-Rescue Chief and has requested the membership of this department to meet and select a new Fire Chief to lead us forward. This letter is to notify you that current Assistant Chief Travis Cook has been selected by the members of Bonifay Fire-Rescue to assume the role of Fire Chief, pending your approval.

Assistant Chief Cook has been a faithful servant of Bonifay Fire-Rescue for 19 years. During this time, he has served in many roles for our organization, including the last 12 years in his present capacity. Assistant Chief Cook has the exact leadership skills, experience, and dedication our city needs during this critical time. Above all, Assistant Chief Cook is the ultimate embodiment of our department motto: Pride Protecting People/Service Over Self!

It is for these reasons we humbly ask for your support, and for your consideration to confirm our selection by officially appointing Travis Cook to the position of Fire Chief for the City of Bonifay Fire-Rescue.

Sincerely,

**Bonifay Fire-Rescue**