# NORTHWEST ARKANSAS FIRE OPERATION OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION

**BY LAWS**

**NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The name of this organization shall be The Northwest Arkansas Fire Operation Officer's Association, hereafter called the Association.

**MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION**

 It shall be the mission of the Association to formally support the continued development of regional training and collaboration. As such, an association of operation officers from NWAFCA member agencies is established to support the education of fire and/or EMS departments in Northwest Arkansas. This association shall develop plans for regional responses and work on uniformity across the region.

.. **MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION**

The Association shall consist of the operations officers/and or the Fire Chief s designee of career fire departments in Benton County, Washington County, and Eureka Springs Arkansas who desire membership and comply with the requirements of membership described herein. Each department shall have one vote although attendance of more than one from each department is permissible and encouraged.

Members of the Association must be eligible as described above and attend the meetings of the Association regularly as described below.

Regular attendance will be defined as attendance at all regularly scheduled and called meetings of the Association. A member may designate a representative to attend in his absence. The designate shall be entitled to vote in the member's absence.

**OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The officers of the Association shall include the:

President: The president shall be elected biennially at the last regularly scheduled meeting proceeding October 1 of even numbered years. He shall be the Association leader and shall preside over all meetings and business of the Association;

Vice President: The Vice President shall be elected biennially at the last regularly scheduled meeting proceeding October 1 of even numbered years. He shall preside over the meetings and business of the Association in the absence of the President and shall handle such other duties assigned to him by the President;

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Secretary: The Secretary shall be elected biennially at the last regularly scheduled meeting proceeding October 1 of even numbered years. He shall keep the meeting minutes and shall keep track of all activities and records of the Association.

MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association shall meet quarterly on the third Tuesday of every month. Other meetings will be held upon the call of the President. The Secretary shall notify all members of any called meeting as soon as possible after the President calls a meeting.

AMENDING AND/OR SUSPENDING THE BY-LAWS

These By-Laws may be amended or temporarily suspended at any Association meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Association membership.

FOUNDING DEPARTMENTS:

Fayetteville Fire Department

Rogers Fire Department

Siloam Springs Fire Department Springdale Fire Department

FOUNDING OFFICERS:

President: Ron Skelton Springdale Fire Department

Vice President: Dusty Qualls Rogers Fire Department

Secretary: Brent Ford Siloam Springs Fire Department