

Chester County Rural Fire Commission

598 Saluda Street

Chester, SC 29706

June 22, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Bobby Jones and opened in prayer by Bobby Jones.

Commission Members Present: Martin, Beard, Jones, Weir, Nichols, Stone

Departments Present: Lewis

Special Guests: Vic Brunet

Weir motioned to approve the agenda with an additional item concerning Fort Lawn SCBAs, Stone seconded; motion passes

Weir motioned to approve the May meeting minutes, Beard seconded, motion passes.

Beth Hunter gave the Fire Coordinators Report.

Old Business

- SCBA sale – Beth provided an update on the sale of SCBAs from Lewis FD. Beth showed pictures of the four SCBAs that were placed on service truck 1240. The letter that Beth sent to the County Supervisor concerning the sale of the SCBAs to the Chester County Career Center was read to the Commission. The update was for information only.

New Business

- Lewis Fire Department Truck Sale – Vic Brunet addressed the Commission asking permission to sale their donated Ford pickup truck that was donated to them from Sumter Utilities. Beth read a letter concerning the truck from Mr. Rob Slayman stating that the truck was donated to the Lewis Fire Department to use as they see fit. **Stone motions to allow Lewis Fire Department to sell truck as they see fit, Beard seconded; motion passes.**
- SAFER Grant update- Kris Grant presented an update to the Commission on the progress of the SAFER Grant. A report was presented showing the data collected over the past few months that shows a need for paid personnel in the County. The report along with other information will be presented to County Council in the future to procure approval

to proceed with the Grant. More information concerning costs and logistics is currently being researched and will be presented at a later date. The update was for information only.

- Fort Lawn SCBAs – During the County’s annual SCBA testing this month, it came to the attention of the Fire Coordinator’s office that Fort Lawn wished to test their six Scott SCBAs that they had recently acquired. Since the Fire Commission wasn’t notified nor approved of the swap of County SCBAs for the Scotts, their request was denied until proper channels could be followed. Chief Allen Culp sent an email concerning this situation which was responded to by the County Supervisor Shane Stuart. Beth read both emails to the Commission. There was discussion on the need of a meeting with the County Supervisor concerning departments acquiring equipment that would be insured and maintained by the County without coming before the Commission. **Nichols motions to request a meeting with the County Supervisor to discuss departments acquiring equipment without following the proper channels. Nichols, Jones and Weir volunteer to go to the meeting, Stone seconded; motion passes.**
- Commission Elections – **Weir motions that Commission Chairman and Vice Chairman remain the same as the previous year, Beard seconded; motion passes.**

Beard motions to enter executive session, Weir seconds; entered into executive session at 6:41 pm.

Weir motions to exit executive session, seconded by Stone; exited executive session at 7:04 pm.

Jones stated no action was taken and topic was taken as information only.

Weir motioned to adjourn meeting, Nichols seconds; motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.