



# *Rural Fire Commission*

598 Saluda Road  
Chester, South Carolina 29706

June 26, 2017

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

Commission Members Present: Weir, Jones, Martin, Beard, Nicholls

Departments Present: Richburg

Special Guests: John Agee

Andy Weir motioned to approve the agenda with the addition to add the elections, Billy Beard seconded, motion passes.

Andy Martin motioned to approve the minutes from the May meeting, Billy Beard seconded, motion passes.

## **Citizens Comments:**

None

## **Fire Coordinators Report:**

- The Fire Coordinators Office had incentive paperwork ready to turn into the county when the new Human Resources director gave us new paperwork for each firefighter to fill out before any checks could be issued.
- There will be an EVDT class starting July 7,8,9 & 21,22,23 also other classes taking place in Chester this 6-month period is Pump ops II, traffic incident management, Basic structural firefighting, hazmat ops, wildland firefighting for structural firefighters, firefighter survival, fire investigation for first responders.
- The FC office attended the 2017 Fire Rescue Conference last week, we attended classes ranging from radio operation, truck safety, ISO, & fire ground operations.

## **Old Business:**

Great Falls Tanker- Ben Thomson stated the motor for the Great Falls tanker was being installed by Joes trucking this week and the truck should be ready to go back to Great Falls soon.



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## **New Business:**

Tires- Ben Thomson presented a list of tires to the Commission, the list was composed of tires from every truck in the county with make, model, and year it was made for each tire. NFPA requires tires on a fire truck to be replaced every ten years due to tires deteriorating over time. The Rural Fire Commission took the list as information.

OSHA- Ben Thomson spoke about OSHA inspecting Great Falls FD due to a complaint about the Town of Great Falls not supplying the employees with turnout gear. Ben Thomson stated after the inspection Chief Rice was supposed to be sending him information about what exactly needed to be replaced. Chief Rice stated over the phone so far only three sets of turnout gear needed to be replaced currently. Bobby Jones stated the Fire Coordinators Office needed to notify Council and the County Supervisor that Chester County is not NFPA compliant.

Election of Officers- Andy Weir motions to keep the officers the same, Billy Beard seconded, motion passes. (**President: Bobby Jones Vice President: Andy Weir**)

**Billy Beard motioned to adjourn, Gail Nicholls seconded, motion passes.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.