



Rural Fire Commission

624 Wilson St
Chester, South Carolina 29706

June 26th, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Gene Hudson and opened in prayer by Williams at 5:30pm.

Commission Members Present: Martin, Jordan, Hudson, Williams, and Collins

Departments Present: Richburg, Lando and Fort Lawn

Special Guests: None

Motion by Williams, second by Jordan to approve agenda, motion passed.

Motion by Collins, second by Williams to approve the minutes, motion passed.

Citizens Comments: T. Melton spoke about the new lithium-ion battery plant coming to Richburg, They will be produce about 15 metric tons a day.

D. Dutton spoke about regulations for colors of helmets for noncertified people. He was told about the existing county policy.

Fire Coordinators report: new radio system will go live on July 10th at 8:00am, final reading of the budget is tonight.

Old Business: J. Williams took the letter wrote to Luck Stone to Mr. Hester and spoke with him about the plans.

New Business: R. Culp from Lando requested insurance be put on their new brush truck (2005 Chevy dually). Martin motioned; Jordan seconded. motion carried. They must notify the fire office when truck 433 is taken out of service.

R. Collins spoke about the number of trucks in the county being stored outside. They are supposed to be kept under a shed and heated. A. Martin discussed the effect of trucks being outside with different weather conditions affecting pumps and equipment. He also discussed the number of trucks per department that are allowed. Brian Beer from Rossville stated that his new trucks should be up and running in about 2 weeks.

The new North Chester station should be ready in about 9 months.

Andy Martin brought up that his incentives were late being turned in (he turned them in in May, they were due in March). J. Williams motioned, R. Collins seconded to pay the incentives out of the new budget year, motion passed.

J. Williams stated that we should invite Mr. Hester to the commission meetings.



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E. Murphy updated the commission B. Beard, he is recovering. He also stated that his last week of being Chief will be July 4th.

Williams motions, Hudson seconds to adjourn meeting, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 18:30