



Rural Fire Commission

624 Wilson St
Chester, South Carolina 29706

September 26th, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Gene Hudson and opened in prayer by Beard at 5:31 pm.

Commission Members Present: Martin, Beard, Hudson, Trowell and Collins

Departments Present: Richburg and Lewis

Special Guests: None

Motion by Trowell, second by Beard to approve agenda, motion passed

Motion by Collins, second by Trowell to approve the minutes, motion passed

Citizens Comments: none

Fire Coordinators report: Part time firefighters starting working. They are helping the fire departments and ems tremendously.

Old Business: None

New Business: Chief association- the single tone dispatch approval was approved through the chiefs.

It was discussed that the Leeds fire department still has not turned in any paperwork, the station is still a mess and they have not been checking their equipment. A motion by Trowell, second by Collins to hold Leeds' allocation money until 2 quarters worth of paperwork has been turned in. Motion passed.

It was also brought up that Great Falls Fire department has not turned in any financial reports. Their monies go directly to the city. The county currently pays for all the utilities, maintenance, and trucks. A motion by Hudson, second by Beard to hold allocations until they turn in paperwork. Motion passed. Also, there are 5 SCBA masks that are missing from the station, if they do not produce them, news ones will be ordered with their equipment money.

Beard motioned; Martin seconded to approve \$2000 in equipment money for each of the county departments. Motion approved.

Martin would like all county departments to upgrade to quick connects. The fire coordinator's office will have all the county trucks checked and update them where appropriate.

Martin motioned, Trowell seconded to change all the fire office part timers from FC numbers to RF numbers. There was discussion about the authority of the part timers on fire scenes. It was made clear that the part time firefighters do not have the authority to take over a scene. Motion passed.



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A motion by Beard, seconded by Martin to go into executive session to discuss the purchase and disbursement of property, specifically 3 pumpers, 3 tankers and 1 aerial truck. Motion passed at 6:02pm

A motion by Hudson, seconded by Collins to come out of executive session. Motion passed at 6:30pm

A motion by Hudson, seconded by Trowell to act regarding the purchase and disbursement of property, specifically 3 pumpers, 3 tankers and 1 aerial truck in the following manner: Richburg and Lando fire departments will move to the bottom of the pumper rotation list. Motion passed. Martin and Beard would like it on record that they voted to deny the motion.

Trowell motions, Collins seconds to adjourn meeting, motion passed

Meeting adjourned 6:45pm.