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ANDERSON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION COMMISSION

COMMISSION MEETING 05-17-2022 – 5:30 PM

PRESENT FOR THE MEETING WERE: Cox, Hanks, Cole, Keaton, Sutherland, and Moon.
The meeting was opened by Mr. Cox. Invocation was given by Mr. Cole.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE 04/19/2022 COMMISSION MEETING:

MOTION: Motion to approve minutes of the Commission Meeting 04/19/2022 was made by Mr. Hanks; 2nd by Mr. Cole and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA – 05/17/2022:

MOTION: Motion to approve the Agenda of the Commission Meeting 05/17/2022 was made by Mr. Hanks; 2nd by Mr. Cole and the vote was unanimous.

VISITORS:

OLD BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1) PERSONNEL:

A) DISPATCH POSITION:

Chief Sutherland announced Dispatcher hired as of June 1, 2022.

2) FINANCE:

A) 2022-2023 PROPOSED BUDGET:

Mr. Cole announced several budget workshops were held to review the 2022-2023 proposed Budget.

MOTION: Motion on recommendation from the Finance Committee was made by Mr. Cole to approve the 2022-2023 proposed Budget of 6,626,265 and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox announced the Delegation meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2022.

3) PURCHASING:

4) RULES & REGULATIONS:

A) COMMISSION BY-LAWS:

Mr. Hanks announced the by-laws are still being reviewed. Assistant Chief Moon received an email today indicating the need to separate the Fire Commission from Personnel. A meeting may need to be scheduled.

5) MAINTENANCE:

A) FLAT ROCK-BOWEN STATION 25 – PIERCE TRUCK:

Mr. Cole announced the truck is ordered.

Chief Sutherland announced the contract is signed and estimated delivery 20 – 21 months. The other trucks on order estimated delivery is January of next year. Starr's truck estimated delivery next month.

6) PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

7) COMMUNICATIONS:

A) DISPATCH:

Mr. Keaton announced it was discussed at the last meeting, the possibility of our Dispatchers reporting to Central Dispatch. A contract needs to be discussed in executive session.

8) ISO PLANNING COMMITTEE:

MOTIONS TO RECESS AND GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

MOTION: *Motion was made by Mr. Hanks to go into Executive Session; 2nd by Mr. Cole and the vote were unanimous.*

MOTION: *Motion was made by Mr. Hanks to return to Open Session; 2nd by Mr. Keaton and the vote was unanimous.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1) CONTRACT:

Mr. Cox announced a contract was discussed. The committee will address later in the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1) PERSONNEL:

2) FINANCE:

A) ORBET (OTHER RETIREMENT BENEFIT EMPLOYER TRUST):

MOTION: *Motion on recommendation from the Finance Committee was made by Mr. Cole to approve the annual contribution, cost 23,637.00 and the vote was unanimous.*

3) PURCHASING:

MOTION: *Motion on recommendation from the Purchasing Committee was made by Mr. Hanks to approve the request from Jeff Carnes to purchase Hose for Headquarters stock from Anderson Fire & Safety, Account 870, cost 3,252.80 plus freight and the vote was unanimous.*

MOTION: *Motion on recommendation from the Purchasing Committee was made by Mr. Hanks to approve the request from Terry King for Gas monitors from Safeware, Account 869, cost 1,954.66 and the vote was unanimous.*

MOTION: *Motion on recommendation from the Purchasing Committee was made by Mr. Hanks to approve the request from Frank Stegall for EDispatch annual subscription from Penguin Management, Account 839, cost 1,536.00 and the vote was unanimous.*

4) RULES & REGULATIONS:

5) MAINTENANCE:

A) STAFF VEHICLE:

MOTION: *Motion on recommendation from the Maintenance Committee was made by Mr. Cole to approve the purchase of a replacement vehicle under State Contract, cost 40,332.39 and the vote was unanimous.*

6) PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

7) COMMUNICATIONS:

A) DISPATCH:

Mr. Keaton announced a Memorandum of Understanding (draft) was received from the County.

Mr. Keaton announced he wanted to address this publicly as information. Last week there was an email sent out from the Sheriff's Office stating the Fire Commission voted to transfer our employees over to Central Dispatch. The Commission has not voted to transfer as of right now.

Mr. Keaton announced the Memorandum of Understanding (draft) reads basically what we would like to do but would recommend the Commission allow the Communications Committee to negotiate a final Memorandum of Understanding.

Mr. Cox announced the vote is not to approve the Memorandum but to approve the Committee to negotiate a final Memorandum.

MOTION: *Motion on recommendation from the Communications Committee was made by Mr. Keaton to allow the Committee to negotiate a final Memorandum of Understanding and the vote was unanimous.*

8) ISO PLANNING COMMITTEE:

DEPARTMENT REPORTING:

1) INVESTIGATIONS:

Wendell Hunter discussed the department report.

COMMENTS FROM THE FIRE CHIEF:

- 1) Report.
- 2) 2022-2023 Budget expressed appreciation to the staff.
- 3) Two workers comp claims in process,
- 4) Assistant Chief Moon discussed Emergency Reporting selling to ESO.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHIEFS' ADVISORY BOARD:

- 1) Chiefs Meeting at Wren on May 23rd at 7:00.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1) Chief Tommy Brock addressed the Commission as follows:
 - a) The cost of Emergency Reporting vs another cheaper option.
Mr. Cox announced the Commission will review.
 - b) The contract price on the third truck.
Mr. Cole announced the price was higher.
 - c) Buying several trucks at one time to lock in price.
Mr. Cole announced the Commission is looking at several options.
- 2) MAINTENANCE:
 - A) CHEDDAR STATION 12 – AIR COMPRESSOR:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation from the Maintenance Committee was made by Mr. Cole to approve the invoice from Safe Air Systems for Station 12, cost 1,470.37 and the vote was unanimous.

ADJOURN.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

BY: Patti Ellison
Patti Ellison
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED BY:

Preston Cox
PRESTON COX, VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mark Cole
MARK COLE, TREASURER

Gerald Hanks
GERALD HANKS, COMMISSIONER

S.W.K. SORENSEN, COMMISSIONER

Tommy Keaton
TOMMY KEATON, COMMISSIONER