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ANDERSON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION COMMISSION

COMMISSION MEETING 6/18/2024 – 5:30 pm

Minutes subject to approval by the Fire Commission

Present for the meeting were: Tommy Keaton, Charlie Dickerson, Gerald Hanks, Randy Wilson, and Mark Cole. Also present were Chief Jimmy Sutherland and Assistant Chief Brian Moon.

Chairman Keaton opened the meeting at 5:30 pm, and Mr. Hanks offered the invocation.

MOTION: The motion to approve the minutes of the 5/21/2024 meeting was made by Mr. Hanks with a second by Mr. Cole. All members were in favor.

MOTION: Motion by Mr. Dickerson and second by Mr. Wilson to approve the agenda of 6/18/2024 with the addition of the amendment for the presentation, and all members approved.

Visitors: Mr. Dickerson introduced Elicia Frelix from Elevated Media Consulting for her presentation to the Commission. In working with students from Anderson University, the goal is to improve social media, visibility, and recruitment for ACFD. They will edit, create, and maintain social media such as Facebook, Instagram, Tik Tok, and You Tube for the organization. The Commission expressed appreciation to Ms. Frelix for her presentation.

Bryan Merk (Center Rock FD) thanked Mr. Hanks for his many years of service to the Commission. He addressed the Commission regarding a meeting on 5/30/2024. He was not in attendance at that meeting and stated that he was not aware of the 15-year rule on trucks. He added that he will support and comply with the rules and regulations, and if he is ever in a situation to enforce the rules he will do so. The Commission expressed their appreciation.

Old Business -Committee Reports:

Personnel: None

Finance: None

Purchasing: None

Rules & Regulations: None

Maintenance: Mr. Wilson reported they are waiting on more quotes regarding countywide hose and ladder testing.

Planning & Development: None

Communications: None

MOTION: A motion for Executive Session was made by Mr. Dickerson with a second by Mr. Hanks to discuss contract issues. All members were in favor.

MOTION: Motion to return to open session was made by Mr. Hanks, with a second by Mr. Dickerson and the vote was unanimous.

Chairman Keaton advised any announcements will be made under the Maintenance Committee.

New Business -Committee Reports:

Personnel: None

Finance: Mr. Dickerson reported that the 2022/2023 audit is finished and the new budget is ready for presentation to Delegation next week.

Purchasing: None

Rules & Regulations: None

Maintenance: Mr. Dickerson reported that the eighteen new trucks on order should be arriving mid-July. They were able to reach out to Pierce to get a new quote. The quote was higher due to new emission standards. They also reached out to E-One but they were not able to offer the same value.

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Maintenance committee was made by Mr. Dickerson to purchase seven more new trucks to complete this phase, not to exceed 6 million. All members were in favor.

Planning & Development:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Planning & Development Committee was made by Mr. Dickerson to approve the proposal from Elevated Media Consulting not to exceed the amount of \$9,000 to establish a social media program, and the vote was unanimous.

Communications: Mr. Wilson reported the dispatch SOG's are still being worked on.

Comments from the Fire Chief: Chief Sutherland reported that the SC Fire Conference was very good this year. He's spoken with the ISO representative Seth for insight on some changes. The Dues for the SC Firefighters Association have increased approximately \$6 per member. He and Chief Moon also gave an update on the new Reporting System RedNMX (from Alpine software) and advised that Emergency Reporting needs to be up to date for the changeover. Chief Moon also updated that the radio grant looks promising and we should hear an announcement within the next 2-3 weeks.

Department Reporting: Tommy Miller presented the Department Report for Fire Prevention/Recruitment & Retention. The Commission expressed appreciation.

Comments from Chiefs Advisory Board: Chris Branyon reported all is good.

Comments from Others: Chairman Keaton announced that Mr. Hanks is retiring from the Commission. He thanked and presented awards to Mr. Hanks (17 years) and Mr. Steve Sorensen (32 years) for their many dedicated years of service on the Fire Commission.

MOTION: Following a motion by Mr. Dickerson, second from Mr. Hanks, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Bryant

Recording by Shanon Robinson

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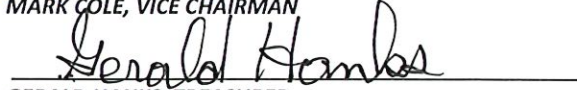
APPROVED BY:



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MARK COLE, VICE CHAIRMAN



GERALD HANKS, TREASURER

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