

ANDERSON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION COMMISSION

COMMISSION MEETING 6/17/25

Minutes subject to approval by the Fire Commission

Present for the meeting were: Tommy Keaton, Randy Wilson, Charlie Dickerson, and Bryan Merk. Also present were Chief Jimmy Sutherland and Assistant Chief Joey Freeman. Chris Branyon was out of town on business.

Chairman Keaton called the meeting to order. Chief Sutherland offered the invocation.

MOTION: The motion to approve the minutes of the 5/20/2025 meeting was made by Mr. Merk, second by Mr. Wilson, and all members approved.

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda of 6/17/2025 was made by Mr. Wilson, second by Mr. Dickerson, and all approved.

There were no visitors.

Chairman Keaton read two thank you notes from the Gambrell and Brock families.

Old Business - Committee Reports:

Personnel: None

Finance: Mr. Dickerson stated the budget proposal for 2025/2026 is ready to present to Delegation.

Purchasing: None

Rules & Regulations: Mr. Keaton advised that the Boat, Social Media, Used Apparatus, and Chaplain SOP's will be tabled for further review.

Maintenance: Mr. Wilson reported that quotes should be here by the end of the week for the shop trucks.

Planning & Development: None

Communications: Mr. Wilson reported that they have received the VHF coverage map from Kimbrell to see dead spots in coverage and will plan accordingly.

Motion to go into Executive Session: Motion by Dickerson, second by Merk to go into Executive Session for and all members agreed.

Motion to return to Open Session: Motion by Merk, second by Mr. Dickerson to return to open session, and all members approved. Contracts were discussed and will be covered under New Business – Maintenance.

New Business - Committee Reports:

Personnel: None

Finance: Mr. Dickerson stated the budget will be presented to Delegation next week. (6/24/2025 4:00 pm)

Purchasing: None

Rules & Regulations: None

Maintenance:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Maintenance Committee was made by Mr. Wilson to approve the Safe Air quote for Quarterly Air Tests for 21 compressors including Headquarters and the Training Facility in the amount of \$9,408.00, and all members approved.

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Maintenance Committee was made by Mr. Wilson to approve the purchase of a 2025 Pierce Pumper (International Chassis, Side Mount Pump, 2-door cab, Cummins L9 Engine, 1500 gpm pump, 1000-gallon tank) in the amount of \$488,424.00 from Spartan Fire to replace the totaled truck from Station 19. All present members approved.

Mr. Wilson added this was an in-stock demo truck with a 30% discount and we will avoid the 36-month wait time than if newly built. Insurance has paid \$249,900.00 for the totaled truck, so the difference will be \$238,524.00 to purchase the new truck.

Planning & Development: Mr. Merk advised to keep up to date on training regularly and be vigilant and be ready.

Communications: None

Department Reporting: Zach Arnold presented the department report for Maintenance. The Commission expressed appreciation.

Comments from the Fire Chief: Chief Sutherland reported: two staff vehicles were involved in accidents this past week and neither were the fault of the staff. He also thanked the Commission for allowing his attendance at the Fire Rescue Conference. He has spoken with the ISO representative and doesn't look for the rating to go up or down. Ladder trucks have been tested and all passed with no major issues. He and staff will meet with dispatch tomorrow and will get with the Chief's Advisory Board within the next couple of weeks.

Comments from Chiefs Advisory Board: Matthew Ashley advised the next Chief's Advisory Board meeting will be July 28, 2025 in District One. The exact location is to be determined.

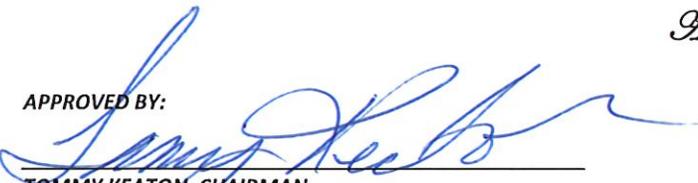
Other Business: None

MOTION: Following a motion by Mr. Wilson with a second by Mr. Dickerson, the meeting adjourned.

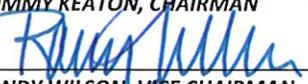
Respectfully submitted,

Angie Bryant

APPROVED BY:



TOMMY KEATON, CHAIRMAN



RANDY WILSON, VICE CHAIRMAN



CHARLIE DICKERSON, TREASURER



CHRIS BRANYON



BRYAN MERK

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