

ANDERSON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION COMMISSION

COMMISSION MEETING 8/19/2025

Minutes subject to approval by the Fire Commission

ORIGINAL

Present for the meeting were: Tommy Keaton, Randy Wilson, Charlie Dickerson, Chris Branyon and Bryan Merk. Chief Jimmy Sutherland was also present.

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

MOTION: The motion to approve the minutes of the 7/15/2025 meeting was made by Mr. Merk, second by Mr. Branyon, and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda of 8/19/2025 was made by Mr. Wilson, second by Mr. Dickerson, and all members approved.

There were no visitors.

Old Business - Committee Reports:

Personnel: None

Finance: None

Purchasing: None

Rules & Regulations: None

Maintenance: None

Planning & Development: None

Communications: None

Motion to go into Executive Session: Motion by Mr. Branyon, second by Mr. Wilson to enter Executive Session, and the vote was unanimous.

Motion to return to Open Session: Motion by Branyon, second by Mr. Wilson to return to open session, and all members approved. Chairman Keaton advised New Business was discussed, and there were no announcements.

New Business - Committee Reports:

Personnel: None

Finance: None

Purchasing:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Purchasing Committee was made by Mr. Wilson to approve the purchase of Fire Prevention Supplies for upcoming Fire Prevention month (Hats and Educational Materials) from Alert All in the amount of \$7,498.00, and the vote was unanimous.

Rules & Regulations:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Rules & Regulations Committee was made by Mr. Branyon to approve the District Three Ladder Team Rules & Regulations as accepted, and all members approved unanimously.

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Rules & Regulations Committee was made by Mr. Branyon to approve the implementation of Pendleton Station 2's EMR Program. The vote for approval was unanimous. Mr. Branyon added that they have sufficient staff to accommodate with 13 certified EMR and should get with Chief Sutherland on the guidelines.

Mr. Branyon advised the Rules & Regulations Committee has received Pendleton Station 2's Board of Director By-Laws and they will be placed in committee for review.

Maintenance:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Maintenance Committee was made by Mr. Wilson to approve Centerville Station 9's apparatus allowance in the amount of \$14,125.70 on their recent service truck purchase, which meets all guidelines. All members were in approval.

Planning & Development:

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Planning & Development Committee was made by Mr. Merk to approve Cheddar Station 12's request to use their station funds for building upgrades in the amount of \$40,000. All members approved unanimously.

MOTION: Motion on recommendation of the Planning & Development Committee was made by Mr. Merk to approve Pendleton Station 2's request to move forward in their process of planning a substation in their district.

Communications: None

Other Business: Ryan Herring updated the Commission on their request of updating their Air Shore equipment to Paratech. The price tag in total \$76,738.00. Mr. Keaton advised this should be tabled and placed into the Finance Committee.

Chairman Keaton advised several areas were tweaked with the Dispatch SOG's and they are working on getting that implemented soon.

Department Reporting: Investigator Wendell Hunter presented the Investigations Report. The Commission expressed appreciation.

Comments from Chiefs Advisory Board: Matthew Ashley advised their next meeting will be hosted by District 2 on September 23, 2025 at 7pm at Chadwick's in Honea Path.

Comments from the Fire Chief: Chief Sutherland advised we have received most of the hose in stock, with the exception of 8 sections of 1.75" hose. Most of the hose has been delivered or will be delivered soon. They are also working on completing the new staff vehicles. The red shop truck and the black truck have been taken out of service and the Expedition will be kept as a spare.

MOTION: Following a motion by Mr. Branyon with a second by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Merk in unison, all members were in favor to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Bryant

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APPROVED BY:

TOMMY KEATON, CHAIRMAN

Randy Wilson

RANDY WILSON, VICE CHAIRMAN

Charlie Dickerson

CHARLIE DICKERSON, TREASURER

CHRIS BRANYON

Bryan Merk

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