



Rural Fire Commission

624 Wilson St
Chester, South Carolina 29706

December 18, 2023

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

Commission Members Present: Martin, Williams, Hudson, McNeil and Collins

Departments Present: Richburg, Fort Lawn, North Chester

Special Guests: David Dutton, Ed Darby, T. Melton

Motion by Hudson, second by Williams to approve agenda, motion passed.

Hudson to push back approval of November minutes, motion passed.

Citizens Comments:

o David Dutton

- Fort Lawn Purchased MR 688 Pumper Tanker, 4000 gallon tank 500 gallon Foam
- Purchased from MacAuthur Airport
- Request to be put on insurance. 220 stays with FLFD

· Motion by Williams, Second by Martin.

o Ed Darby

York County donating a 1988 Ford C8000/KME Engine. Requesting to take into system. Would provide a 3rd pumper with 2nd station opening. Needs to be pump tested to take on.

· Motion by Williams, Second by Martin.

o T. Melton

- Update on 811 from Forestry. In Columbia getting fixed.
- 810 needs pump tested.
- Outriggers leaking on 841.
- 840 Needs Tires.

o Williams made motion to fix 841 cylinders with getting quote and asking the county for more money for maintenance. Second by Hudson.



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Fire Coordinators report:

- Medcenter Air conference call with radio issues. MCA working to get Palmetto 800Airops Channels.
- Three new engines projected for end of January to be inspected.
- Spare engine almost ready. Missing 5" hose.
- York Tech EMT Class at Chester Campus in January if enough people sign up.
- Everyone needs to follow proper Procurement Policy. Advise of any issues with trucks or equipment that is fixed with open purchase order.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Otter AI purchased to help with keep minutes.
- Secretary position
 - Discussion on who to fill this position on commission. Director Benson took the task to assist Chairman Hudson with Agenda, Minutes, posting information to county for public record.
 - Agenda created by and approved Chairman or designee.
 - Agenda items needed by 3rd Monday for 4th Monday Meeting.

Williams motions, Hudson seconds to adjourn meeting, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 6:51pm.