

**Burton Fire District  
Commissioners Meeting  
November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017  
Station 891**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Gary Bright  
Commissioner John Harris  
Commissioner Herbert Burnes  
Commissioner Madison Chisum  
Commissioner Thomas Peeples

Chief Rountree  
Deputy Chief Thomas Webb  
Attorney Fred Kuhn

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Bright @ 18:05.

Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the agenda with an executive session needed.  
Commissioner Burnes seconded.  
Motion approved.

Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes.  
Commissioner Chisum seconded.  
Motion approved.

Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the June, July, August & September 2017  
Financials.  
Commissioner Chisum seconded.  
Motion approved.

**Executive Session**

Commissioner Burnes motioned to enter into executive session to discuss pending legal  
actions & contractual issues.  
Commissioner Chisum seconded.  
Executive session began at 18:11.  
Executive session ended at 19:20.  
Several legal matters were discussed. No action was taken.

**Old Business/New Business/Chief's Report (combined)**

Expiring Contract: Commissioner Harris motioned to make Chief Rountree the District's  
representative for the 3 person committee to try and formulate a plan for responses  
after the contract expires December 31<sup>st</sup>. The other two members should be a  
representative from the City of Beaufort/Town of Port Royal and a neutral member.

Commissioner Harris amended the motion to include permission for Chief Rountree to  
pay the 3<sup>rd</sup> (neutral) member if necessary.  
Commissioner Burnes seconded.

The vote was unanimous.  
Motion approved.

*(The 3-person committee is in reference to Special Purpose Districts and S.C. Code Sections 5-3-310 through 5-3-315.)*

### **New Business**

New Hire – Daniel Mickel is our new recruit and currently at recruit school at the Fire Academy. He will graduate and immediately start EMT school which will be paid for by a grant we received.

Openings – we are still sitting on two positions and will look at filling those after the new year.

Statewide Mutual Aid agreement – A new one was signed, no changes were made to it.

BCSO Dispatch – We recently signed an agreement with the Sheriff's Office for use of their dispatch center.

### **Chief's Report**

iPads – The iPads that were approved in the budget have been purchased and are all installed and being used on the trucks. They are working out very well. The firefighters are able to use them for taking pictures on calls and using them for reports as well.

Shop Roof – The roof/ceiling repair in the maintenance shop is currently being replaced.

Training – The containers approved in the budget for the training prop have also been purchased and put in place.

Tool repair – we currently have two sets of rescue tools in NC being repaired. The engines are having to share the working ones for the time being.

Rhodium – Burton Fire District went in half with Bluffton Fire for the command system called Rhodium. Our portion was roughly \$5,000.

Awards – December 9<sup>th</sup> is our Awards Dinner.

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Harris motioned to adjourn.

Commissioner Chisum seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 20:00