SHELDON FIRE DISRICT COMMISSIONERS' MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM. Present: Chief Jones, Chairman Blankenship, Donnie Phillips, Rudy Glover, George Williams, Gregg Gilbert, Perry Harvey Absent: Don Seigler

There was no public comment.

The minutes of the August 18, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

The budget for this fiscal year was approved through the county with no change in the millage rate.

There is no update on the status of the FEMA grant and will not be until sometime after the first of the year.

Sheldon Fire District received \$10,000 from Brays Island owners; \$5,000 from the Stuart Tenny Revocable trust and \$5,000 from H.L. Thompson. The rear pad at the Sheldon station has been completed.

The contract to provide fire protection to the Yemassee annexed areas has been approved by the Beaufort County Attorney. George Williams moved to approve the contract, seconded by Gregg Gilbert and approved by the Commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

During Fire Prevention Week the station saw some 500 children. The second annual Sheldon Fire Family cookout will be held October 29th at the Boys and Girls Club on Agnes Major Rd. from 11:00 to 4:00. The Christmas party will be December 17th from 7:00 until --- at the Sheldon Baptist Church.

Testing of the air pac systems has been completed. The fitness testing will be the second week in November.

A new policy has been instituted banning the taking of photographs at incidents and posting them on social network sites so that nothing that may be detrimental to the department will appear. A motion to approve this policy was made, seconded and approved by the Commissioners.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

As it is early in the fiscal year, we are in good shape on the budget. We are spending on vehicle maintenance but that spending is necessary. George Williams moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Gregg Gilbert and approved by the Commissioners.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

There have been 565 calls to date in 2011. The schedule of maintenance and training were included in the package for the commissioners.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM