SHELDON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT

5 Fire Station Lane Sheldon, SC 29941

BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wayne Blankenship, Robert Smalls, George Williams, Rudy Glover, Sheri Phillips,

Adrain Scott

MEMBERS ABSENT: Greggory Gilbert (Out of Town Attending a Conference)

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Buddy Jones, Asst. Chief Dale Glass

GUEST PRESENT: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Wayne Blankenship at 7:07 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No Public Comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF August 21, 2024 BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBERS REVIEWED minutes from meeting of August 21, 2024. MOTION by George Williams to approve minutes of August 21, 2024 SECOND by Robert Smalls. MINUTES APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

DISCUSSION

Old Business:

Parking Lot - Chief is still waiting to hear from the county when they plan to begin working on it. It was approved in the capital plan for this years budget.

Grants - SFD was not approved for the FEMA grant this year. FEMA had \$300 Million available to give out, but hey had 3.7 billion requests. Everyone did not get funded.

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Prepared by Jody Ward Administrative Assistant

New Business:

Master Plan - All Board members received a copy of the new Master Plan. It included a new squad, new tanker, and new Admin. Vehicle. These would not all be purchased at the same time, and the Admin. Vehicle could come out of the Cash on Hand Fund. The others would need to be financed. The plan also includes hiring 3 more firefighters. There would then be 3 firefighters at each station each shift.

Alarm System - The new system has been installed and hooked up. They plan on switching all departments over to the new system by the first of the new year or sooner. After 4 years, there will be a \$3900 annual maintenance fee to include in our budget.

Treasurer's Report - SFD budget is \$1,871,379 in operations. SFD has carried over approximately \$84,665 from last years budget. SFD has drawn \$400,000 to date with \$1,471,379 left to draw and \$124,754 left in Debt Service. SFD is on average is spending \$33,953 per week and has \$36,892 per week available. Current checkbook balance is \$254,828. There is approximately \$410,172 in the Cash on Hand Fund balance. After the Board Members review, **MOTION** made by Robert Smalls to approve the Treasurer's Report. **SECOND** by George Williams. **MOTION APPROVED**.

Vehicle Maintenance: Up to Date

Fire Marshall Inspections: Up to Date

Training Report: Up to date.

Call Summary: 831 Calls through September 2024 - 65% is Medical Calls. SFD is up 147 calls from last year.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION to adjourn meeting by George Williams. SECOND by Robert Smalls. MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING APPROVED.

MEETING ADJOURNED by Board Chairman Wayne Blankenship at 7:31 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED: December 19, 2024

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