

## ***SHELDON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT***

***5 Fire Station Lane  
Sheldon, SC 29941***

### **BOARD MEETING**

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**MINUTES OF JUNE 19, 2025**

**REGULAR MEETING**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gregory Gilbert, George Williams, Sheri Phillips, Rudy Glover, Robert Smalls, Adrain Scott, Abraham Kelly

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

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

**GUESTS:** None

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** by Chairman Gregory Gilbert at 7:01 p.m.

**AGENDA:** All in favor of proceeding with the Agenda as outlined. **MOTION** made by Robert Smalls to proceed with agenda as outlined. **SECOND** by Rudy Glover. **MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No comments

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 17, 2025 BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBERS REVIEWED** minutes from meeting of April 17, 2025. **MOTION** made by Sheri Phillips to approve minutes of April 17, 2024. **SECOND** by Robert Smalls. **MOTION CARRIED**

### **DISCUSSION**

#### ***Old Business:***

**Parking Lot:** Last year the county put in their capital plan to pave the parking lot at Station 40 since we did the upgrade to the Station. They still have not scheduled to do it at this time. They are concerned about water run-off, but we already have the two retention ponds now. With all the recent rain, these ponds have never filled up. If I do not hear anything by our next meeting, we should draft a letter signed by Chairman Gregory Gilbert. I have sent emails with no response. I believe the cost is around \$260,000.

**Vehicle Maintenance** - It has been high this year. Last year's budget was \$55,000. The repair on just two of our trucks was \$55,000 alone just to have two engines were rebuilt. We did go over budget.

**New Squad** - The new squad is on schedule and should be receiving it the second week of September. The financing on this purchase will be as follows: \$207,630 out of the departments cash on hand fund balance, \$33,307 out of impact fees for a total of \$240,937. \$396,000 in our checkbook right now, that is over budgeted money has accumulated over time and SFD will use those funds on this purchase. SFD will still have \$196,000 in the fund balance at the end of the Fiscal Year. Plus the county has \$600,000 + on hand. These are funds collected over our budget amount by the county and can only be spent on Fire Vehicles or for building.

### ***New Business:***

**Budget 2025/2026** - The budget this year was passed by County Council. Chief is waiting on the county ordinance on the new budget and will get a copy of the Board Members as soon as he receives it. The budget begins on July 1, 2025 and here was no tax increase.

**Station 41 (Lobeco)** - There has been a moisture issue build-up in the air ducts. The hot air in the attic and the A/C on low has caused a moisture build-up in the vents. We have bids to repair the issue. The cost will be \$7300 to remove the insulation in the attic and clean all the air ducts, then replace the insulation with spray foam insulation. EMS will pay half of this expense.

**Board Meeting Time** - Abraham Kelly suggested an earlier time since he is a Deacon at his church and the meeting time interferes with his services on Thursday evenings. George Williams suggested 6:30 p.m. **MOTION** made by George Williams to approve the time of the meetings from 7:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. **SECOND** by Sheri Phillips. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Treasurer's Report** - Board members received a copy of the Treasurer Report. \$6000 was over in over-time. Total of \$72,000 in vehicle maint. over \$17,000. Overall it will be close and still right under total budget. Total Budget this year is \$1,871,379. SFD has drawn \$1,871,379 to date with \$0 left to draw. SFD is on average is spending \$35,000 per week and have \$55,000 funds available for the last week of the budget. Taxes and retirement fund will come out of that so it will be close. Current checkbook balance is \$451,589. There is currently \$396,272 in the Cash on Hand Fund balance in the checking account. After the Board Members review, **MOTION** made by George Williams to approve the Treasurer's Report. **SECOND** by Rudy Glover. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Vehicle Maintenance:** Up to Date

**Fire Marshall Inspections:** Up to Date

**Training Report:** Training has improved over the past two months.

**Call Summary:** 495 Calls through May 2025; 66% of those are Medical Calls.

**ADJOURNMENT:** **MOTION** to adjourn meeting by George Williams. **SECOND** by Sheri Phillips. **MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING APPROVED.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED** by Gregory Gilbert at 7:31 p.m.

**MEETING APPROVED: August 21, 2025**