

**CHARLTON COUNTY FIRE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
THE BEND FIRE STATION
MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

5/22/2023 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Orival Thompson, acting President; along with Fire Board members Jesse Crews, Lee Gowen, and Mike Harris; Chief C. L. Lewis, Assistant Chief Willard Turner; County Administrator Hampton Raulerson; and visitors as recorded hereafter. Secretary Jenifer Nobles was absent.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Crews led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Crews made motion to adopt the May 22, 2023 Agenda. Motion was seconded by Mr. Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Crews made motion to approve March 27, 2023 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Gowen made motion to approve Financial Report. Motion was seconded by Mr. Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

6. GUESTS

None.

7. ONWR, TERRI JENKINS

Mr. Andy Heisey, ONWR, was present.

8. REPORTS: GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION: ROGER TODD

None.

9. REPORTS

A. Status of Truck Repairs - Brush Truck 22 has holes in tank, needs a more permanent repair; checking with Georgia Forestry. C. L. is acquiring light bars for several trucks, and tires for several trucks are going

to be replaced.

B. Pump Test Report - Tender 10 couldn't be tested, and 41 needs a new valve.

C. Youth Program - Mr. Gowen made motion to allow the following: Ages 14 - 17, purpose is to build interest and prepare them to be able to take test at 18. Advisor for every 5 participants, will create an Advisory Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

10. PERSONNEL REPORT

Four applicants have been recommended: Dustin and Angel Morrison, Holly Spikes, and Nicholas King. Three were not able to attend assessments. To date, there are 39 members.

11. FIRE RUN REPORTS BY TYPES (ENCLOSED IN HANDOUT)

Fire run report was received and becomes integral part of Minutes.

12. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK REPORT

The Board discussed along with Administrator Raulerson, concerning Dispatch, communications, and new station at the Bend.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

None.

14. NEXT FIRE BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023 - WINOKUR, 6:00 P.M.

15. ADJOURN

Mr. Crews made motion that meeting be adjourned at 6:30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. Harris, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.