

BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL
MINUTES OF MEETING
December 22, 2015

The Board of Rural Fire Control met on Thursday December 22, 2015, at the York County Fire Training Center at 6:30 PM.

Notices of the meeting were forwarded to the members of the Board, the sixteen rural fire departments, and to the members of the media. Notices were also forwarded to individuals who had requested copies, and a copy was posted on the bulletin board at the York County Fire Training Center.

All members of the Board were present except Oliver Dowdle

Members of several fire departments were present.
Representing County staff: Gary Starnes, Rickey Wilson, Billy Weatherford, and Mike Burns:

Chairman David Hord called the meeting to order.

Opening prayer: **Given by Frank Duncan**

Persons not on the Agenda wishing to appear before the Board:
None

Reading of the Minutes: **David Hord, Board Chairman**
Minutes of October 22, 2015 meeting
Motion to approve as written by Tommy Carroll with a second by Carl Faulk
All was in favor of the motion.

Finance Committee Report: **Tommy Carroll, Committee Chairman**
Finance information was given as information
Also for information the \$3000.00 usually given to departments for equipment needs to be held until all items are purchased for the new training center.

Executive Session:
At this time the Board entered into executive session:
The Board convened from executive session with no action taken

Equipment Committee Report: **Carl Faulk, Committee Chairman**
Recommendation from equipment committee to deny the Lesslie Fire Department request to swap service trucks
All was in favor of the recommendation as a motion.
Johnny Boyd abstained from the vote.

Recommendation from equipment committee to approve Oakdale Fire Dept. request to change the cascade system on the county service truck to a 6000 psi system and they will pay the cost. The work will be completed by the shop as time allows.
All was in favor of the recommendation as a motion

Discussed specifications for new tankers and was tabled until more cost and information could be obtained.

Discussed specifications for a press brake to bend metal in the shop this was also tabled to determine if a bigger brake is needed and the cost of a bigger brake.

Gave a update on the current pumpers on order, there is a new sales representative assigned to York County. Mid inspection trip in January for the Sharon Engine. This is a possible request from KME for an extension of time. At this time there has been no formal request.
Recommendation from the equipment committee no to give an extension without penalties, pending plausible explanation
All was in favor of the recommendation as a motion.

Accident Review Committee: **Oliver Dowdle, Committee Chairman**
No accidents to report

Training Committee:

Gary Starnes, York County Fire Training Officer

Gary Starnes gave a report of the monthly training activities.

Next 6 month scheduled is on line for firefighters to sign up

Request from Flint Hill FD to pay \$80.00 ½ the cost of a class to send a firefighter to the National Fire Academy for a course not taught in SC on arson detection/investigation

Tommy Carroll Made the motion to approve the request with a second from Frank Duncan.

All was in favor of the motion

Bruce Byrnes abstained from the vote

The special class to be held February 13, 2016 on Benchmarking/ fire behavior will need to flyers/notice of class sent to York County Fire Departments.

Current training tower cannot be used as the ceiling fell in in the front room exposing rusted beams holding the 1 floor up.

Joint Training Center Committee:

David Jennings, Committee Chairman

Billy Weatherford gave a update on the progress on the construction and the finish date.

New office furniture and tables for classroom has been delivered

Physicals Committee:

No Report

Old Business:

Medal of Valor Committee report by Wayne Searcy

Each member received a copy of the revised proposed policy for awards

A motion was made by Frank Duncan with a second from Tommy Carroll to accept the Policy with the revised changes and the form to use for nominations.

In favor of the motion Wayne Searcy, Tommy Carroll, Frank Duncan, Johnny Boyd, Bruce Byrnes, David Faile

Voting against the motion Carl Faulk

Motion passed

Items ordered for the awards should be delivered by last of December or early January.

New Business:

Fire Chief Banquet to be held February 29, 2016 at 7.00 pm at the new fire training center.

Catering is to be done by Tony Childers

Announcements:

None

Persons wishing to appear before the Board but not on the Agenda:

None

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned with unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Rickey Wilson

Senior Fire Prevention Technician

York County Department of Fire Safety

Note: The minutes of this meeting are a summary of the activities and discussions that took place during the Board meeting. The minutes should not be construed as a complete transcript of the meeting. The minutes will not be approved until the next Board meeting and are subject to be amended at that time. Let it be known that the chairman does not vote on any action of the Board of Rural Fire Control unless there is a tie in the vote.