

**BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL
MINUTES OF MEETING
February 28, 2013**

The Board of Rural Fire Control met on Thursday February 28, 2013, 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

Members of several fire departments were present.
Representing County staff: Gary Starnes, Rickey Wilson, 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, Chairman**
Motion was made to approve the minutes of January 24, 2013, there was a second and all members of the board voted in favor of the motion.

Finance Committee Report: **Tommy Carroll, Chairman**
A copy of the recent financial statement was given as information and reviewed with no questions.
A copy of the 2013-2014 Fire Board Budget was reviewed by the board and a motion to submit the budget to staff as written was made by Kenny Gilfillan, seconded by Al Waddell. All members of the board was in favor of the motion.

Equipment Committee Report: **Bill Dunlap, Chairman**
Bill Dunlap gave a report on the 3 recent meetings held by the committee.
A recommendation from the committee was made to the board to purchase a lift gate for the maintenance service vehicle for a price of \$2685.00. All members of the board voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

A recommendation from the committee was made to the board to purchase a air compressor for the maintenance service vehicle for a price of \$2005.00. All members of the board voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

A recommendation from the committee was made to the board to purchase the bar light package for the 3 maintenance service vehicles for a price of \$2300.00 per vehicle. All members of the board voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

It was also discussed that last year extra funds allowed for a grass truck chassis to be purchased from the 2011-2012 budget. The 2012-2013 budget has money left from the early purchase so a recommendation from the committee is to purchase a F450 chassis to be used by the maintenance department as a service vehicle.
All members of the board is in favor of this motion. Staff will ask purchasing to seek bids on this chassis.

A recommendation from the committee was made to the board to seek quotes and purchase the loose equipment for the 2 new pumpers budgeted this year. All members of the board voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

A recommendation from the committee was made to the board to seek quotes and purchase \$32,500.00 each of equipment for the 2 new pumpers budgeted this year. All members of the board voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

There was a motion to enter into executive session to discuss a contract manner by the members of the board.

Chairman David Hord then called the meeting back to order from executive session with no actions taken.

Frank Duncan made a motion to table the decision on bids for the new pumpers for one month.

This was seconded by Kenny Gilfillan

All members of the board present were in favor of the motion. Absent was Bill Dunlap

Accident Review Committee:

Carl Faulk, Chairman

Accident involving Newport Service 2, driver Carlton Carter recommendation from the committee that no further action being taken being a no fault accident on his part and damage cost was \$10.00.

The board accepted the recommendation from the committee and all members of the board present were in favor of the motion.

Carl Faulk & Tommy Carroll did not vote beings members of Newport FD.

Accident involving Bethesda Engine 2, driver was Dan McQueen. Recommendation form the committee he be suspended for 60 days from the date of the accident and before the end of the 60 days he meet with YC Training Officer Gary Starnes to review his driving skills and backing policy, and at the end of 60 day per approval of the chief of the department and completion of the terms return to normal driving status.

The board accepted the recommendation from the committee and all members of the board present were in favor of the motion.

Training Committee:

Gary Starnes, York county Training Officer

Gary Starnes gave a report on the monthly training all classes are to be held with no cancelations of any classes due to low enrolment.

Joint Training Center Committee:

David Jennings, Committee Chairman

David Jennings gave a report on the progress of the new training center and the meeting with Sheriff Bruce Bryant, and the architect, Ben Montgomery.

Sheriff Bryant would like to have land space for future construction of a law enforcement training facility.

There was a motion to allow for design including a future law enforcement training center by Tommy Carroll, Al Waddell seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

It was also discussed that 911 communications would like to have a storage area and be allowed to wire for an alternate emergency 911 communications point. A motion was made by Al Waddell to allow for this request, seconded by Wayne Searcy.

All members present were in favor of this motion.

Old Business:

There was no old business discussed.

New Business:

Request from Hickory Grove FD to allow shop to add light pods to the light bar on Hickory Grove Engine, they will pay the cost.

Tommy Carroll made a motion to allow this request.

Al Waddell seconded the motion.

All present voted in favor of the motion. Kenny Gilfillan did not vote, being a member of Hickory Grove Fd

Request From Bullocks Creek FD. To install a winch on Engine 2

This was approved at a previous meeting and no action was taken.

A request was made from Bullocks Creek FD for protective covers to be added to the new grass truck fuel tank. No action taken referred to shop for review and a report back to the board.

A request was made from York FD for 5 new Pagers.

Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to purchase 5 pagers for York FD

It was seconded by Frank Duncan, and all was in favor of the motion

Announcements:

None

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

Jerry Williams requested to appear before the board

Jerry gave information on the retirement for volunteer firefighters funded from the fire board budget. It is in a standalone account not gaining much interest. Recent changes in State Law allow this money to be moved in to State firefighters association moderate growth account. This would bear more interest.

It is requested that the board ask for this account be transferred to the State Firefighters Assoc. Acct.

Frank Duncan made a motion for the board to recommend to move this account to the moderate growth account of the State Firefighters Assoc.

This was seconded by Kenny Gilfillan

All was in favor of this motion.

At the request of Fire Safety Staff a session is to be set up to allow all county firefighters needing hepatitis b vaccine to attend a Saturday session (3) total sessions to be administered by Occupational Healthcare of Columbia. The price is 60.00 per firefighter per session.

There was a motion made by Tommy Carroll to approve.

Seconded by Kenny Gilfillan

All was in favor of the motion

Jerry Chapman of Fort Mill Fire dept. asked if the board was considering a more compliant physical for firefighters.

The board will seek information.

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.