

Minutes for the Regular Meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024, at 12:00 pm at 8305 Augusta Road Pelzer, SC 29669.

Jim Darby asked Bubba Bagwell to open the meeting with prayer. John Jennings was absent. Jim Darby swore in Terry Creamer and Bubba Bagwell as the new Commissioners for South Greenville Fire District. The Commissioners decided to wait to vote for officers until next month so everyone is present.

Jimmy Brashier motioned to approve the December minutes. Bubba Bagwell seconded it. All were in favor.

The Financial Reports were presented and reviewed. Jimmy Brashier motioned to accept the Financial Reports. Bubba Bagwell seconded it. All were in favor.

Chief Sutherland started the staff report with reminding everyone of Keith Wright's retirement dinner on February 1, 2024, at 6pm at Headquarters. Make sure you RSVP to Jennifer so she has a headcount for food. We sold the old Brush 73 at the end of December for \$6,100.00. The dedication for Engine 77 and Engine 80 went well and the trucks are now in service. Jessica Phillips headed up the toy collection for the LEO Santa for us for the 3rd year in a row. It was a huge success. We are going to be adding our own coat drive to it next year, so when you are doing your spring cleaning, keep us in mind when you do. The picnic shelter for the training tower has arrived and we will start putting it together soon.

Assistant Chief Finley said that we were still waiting on some of the electronics for Quint 78. On Christmas Eve it over heated and is having to have parts made to repair it. Our call volume for December was 308 calls and we ended 2023 with 3,200 calls.

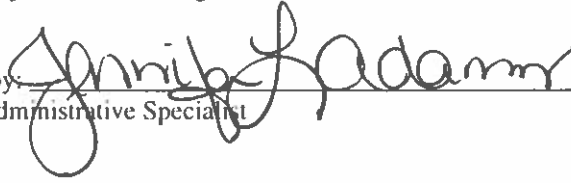
Chief Sutherland reminded the Commissioners of the radio upgrades that were discussed last year. We put the money in the budget to cover the cost of those upgrades this year. Greenville County has agreed to pay for part of these upgrades. The cost for the District will end up being between \$14,000.00 and \$15,000.00. We hope to have the upgrades installed soon.

New Business

- I. Assistant Chief Finley said that he included in your packet three quotes for our annual purchase of Bunker Gear. It is for twenty sets this year. It is a line item in the Budget. Atlantic Emergency Solutions has the best price of \$97,212.20. Bubba Bagwell motioned to accept Chief Finley's recommendation to purchase twenty sets of Bunker Gear from Atlantic Emergency Solutions. Jimmy Brashier seconded it. All were in favor.
- II. There were quotes for fire hose in the packet also. We are upgrading all of our hose and this will complete this project. Jimmy Brashier motioned to purchase the hose from Williams Fire Apparatus for \$4,532.56. Terry Creamer seconded it. All were in favor.
- III. Nozzles were also included in the project. The attached quotes will finish this project. The quote from Atlantic Emergency Solutions is the best price with a total of \$10,662.24 for two trucks. Bubba Bagwell motioned to accept Chief Finley's recommendation. Jimmy Brashier seconded it. All were in favor.
- IV. Chief Sutherland included in the packet the information for the purchase of the two new Ford F-250 Crew Cab XL-STX 4x4 to replace Car 80 and Car 80A. Both Chief's cars will be pickup trucks. Everything is being purchased off of State Contract. Chief Sutherland has brought it up in this meeting trying to get the vehicles ordered before the cut off ordering for the year. These items were included in Capital Projects in the Budget for this year. The current Car 80 will become Battalion 76 when we add that on in the middle of the year. Car 80A will become Fire Marshal 80A. The changes needed to make these upgrades are also included in the Budget. Terry Creamer motioned to accept

Chief Sutherland's recommendation to purchase the two new staff vehicles on State Contract. Jimmy Brashier seconded it. All were in favor. Jimmy Brashier motioned to adjourn. Bubba Bagwell seconded it. All were in favor.

Minutes recorded by:
Jennifer Adams, Administrative Specialist

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Adams", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.