

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, Notice of this meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted online, at 8305 Augusta Road, Pelzer, and made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Minutes for a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, at 12:00 pm at 8305 Augusta Road, Pelzer, SC 29669.

Jim Darby called the meeting to order and asked John Jennings to open the meeting with prayer. Jimmy Brashier and Bubba Bagwell were absent. Jim Darby thanked all of our visitors in attendance today.

Jim Darby asked if everyone had time to review the minutes from the April Regular Meeting. Terry Creamer motioned to accept the minutes. John Jennings seconded it. All were in favor.

The Financial Reports were presented and reviewed. Jennifer Adams said that LGIP closed out the month of April earning \$35,807.34 in interest at an Average Interest Rate (365) of 4.5200%. It is still currently earning the best rates compared to others. There are still no other places that we can get rates over 3% that we know of. The State SPD Leadership Conference is May 15th in Blythewood.

Chief Finley started the Chief's report by stating the he had received an update from our Realtor, Frank Hammond, about finalizing the sale of 40 Old Augusta Road. He hopes that the work by EnviroSouth will be completed soon and close by June 20th on the property. Our Community Risk Reduction Team has received the Fire Safe SC Designation award for the third year in a row. Chief Finley said we had an EMS Professional walk-in that had witnessed a call. He said that our people did a very good job and that we had control of the scene. He was very complimentary of our personnel and their performance on scene.

Deputy Chief Harbert started his report with the call volume. There were 312 calls in April and the total year to date is 1,293. Quint 76 went for preventative maintenance and pump test. During inspection, Spartan found a cracked weld on the aerial cradle. These repairs will have to be made after the truck returns from Spartan by KME due to the fact they are covered under warranty. Highwater 80 had to have the batteries replaced. Squad 76 was sent to The Manic Mechanic for repairs. Mr. Darby asked if we knew how long Quint 76 would be out of service. Chief Harbert said we do not, but we expected that it would be few weeks like it was last time we had to do warranty work with KME.

Old Business

- I. Chief Finley said the property at 8408, 8410 and 8412 Augusta Road was almost ready to be closed on. Everything has been completed but the survey (see attached). The total of the Preliminary Buyer's Settlement Statement is \$438,834.23. We currently need to motion to release the money from the CIP Account in LGIP to cover to cost of everything associated with the purchase of the property. Terry Creamer motioned to move up to \$450,000.00 from the CIP Account in LGIP for the purchase, survey, environmental assessment and closing cost for property at 8408, 8410 and 8412 Augusta Road. John Jennings seconded it. All were in favor.
- II. The Board decided to postpone the Executive Session due to the absences in the meeting. John Jennings motioned to adjourn. Terry Creamer seconded it. All were in favor.

Minutes recorded by: 
Jennifer L. Adams, Administrative Specialist