

PICKENS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

November 8, 2022

222 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens, SC 29671

IN ATTENDANCE - BOARD: Richard (Kenny) McPeters
Bill Daniel
Paul Howland
Brooke Newman
Dennis Bauknight

ABSENT – BOARD: Troy Burton
Randy Bowers
Rodney Herd
Tracie Barnette
Scott Childress
Hub Smith
JB “Jan” Kelley

IN ATTENDANCE - STAFF: Billy Gibson
Mike Dunaway

IN ATTENDANCE - GUESTS: None

Agendas, bearing date, time and location of meeting were emailed to Board members and news media and a copy was posted on the county website and bulletin board at the Administration facility.

No quorum present ... informal discussion started at 6:11.

Billy Gibson offered an invocation.

Emergency Service Division Report

Fire Coordinator – 6 candidates being interviewed

Firefighter position – New campaign includes incentive / bonus for new-hires and referring a successful candidate.

Rescue Squads – This year’s training has been poor with Rescue 6. Rescue 7 & 8 training is adequate.

Radio Study – Tusa’ executive summary was presented to County Council. From Tusa’ recommendations, an RFP to be issued in December and award selected and issued by February.

E-911 – Has taken over addressing ... possibly seeking general-funds to assist with staffing.

FY-24 Budget – Budgeting has started.

New Business

Summary of recent emergency response and calls.

For future consideration, new construction impact fees.

EMS Report

Personnel – Mr. Dunaway summarized candidates and actions from this. Hiring 2 part-time candidates. Hiring 4 full-time candidates. Limited hiring due to candidates withdrawing from the process. Making progress ... but more candidates needed.

Equipment – One of the new trucks will be starting as a 12-hour shift. Essentially, we are able to engage 25% of the expansion (2 trucks) in the immediate future.

Capital Equipment – New trucks continue one nearly ready ... others should be mid-January.

The next Board meeting will be December 13th. Meeting ended at 7:09 PM.

Minutes documented by P.Howland, Secretary.

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