

PICKENS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD  
02.09.2021  
222 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens, SC 29671

IN ATTENDANCE - BOARD: Johnson Link (webex)  
Ronald McGimpsey  
Richard (Kenny) McPeters (webex)  
Charles (Hub) Smith  
Tracy Woodruff  
Jan Kelley  
Dennis Bauknight  
Paul Howland  
Troy Burton

ABSENT – BOARD: Tracie Barnett  
Ron Freeman  
Randy Bowers

IN ATTENDANCE - STAFF: Billy Gibson, Director of Emergency Services

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.

Ron McGimpsey called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Jan Kelley offered the invocation.

The 01.26.2021 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

TOPIC:

- Introduction of Troy Burton to Board.
- Discussion of FY 2021 Operating Budget (fire fee areas only)
  - This is this board's first attempt with the budget process. In the past, the individual boards developed budgets to send to county for approval.
  - Reviewed variances per handout provided by Billy Gibson.
  - This draft will keep us "in business" but no progress to the staffing and capital needs.
  - It is proposed to add 2600 part time hours for daytime coverage at Holly Springs. A substitution of the 2600 part time hours for 3 full time would be a net change of approximately \$ 115,000 annually.

- Discussion of Fire fee schedule
  - Deficit of over \$ 800,000 to budget if this is used.
  - Discussed possible increases to cover deficit and possible incremental staffing and capital needs.
  - Separated commercial 0-1500; still need to determine an amount for this group.

Ron McGimpsey to meet with Council chair, Chris Bowers, to get an indication of Council's receptiveness to budget/fire fee schedule to include progress to staffing and capital needs.

- Command Structure discussion
  - Overview of potential changes. Not intended to cut anyone out of a job or cut anyone's pay. Provide uniformity. Easier to identify who is in charge on a call.

The next advisory board meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. on March 9, 2021 at 222 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens, SC 29671.

Kenny McPeters called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Troy Burton seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Minutes taken by Tracy Woodruff, Secretary.