



MINUTES FIRE SERVICE ADVISORY COMMISSION

January 20, 2022

Oconee County Administrative Offices, Council Chambers
415 S. Pine Street, Walhalla, SC 29691

MEMBERS

Commissioner Charlie Vissage, Region 1
Commissioner Tony McAlister, Region 2
Commissioner Austin Grant, Region 3
Commissioner Jamie Brock, Region 4 (Absent)

Commissioner Brandon Burton, Region 5
Chief Scott Krein, OCES Director
Chief Larry Greer, OCES Fire Chief
Steven Zahn, Secretary

The Oconee County Fire Service Advisory Commission met at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present and Steven Zahn, Secretary.

Press: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [www.oconeesc.com/council]. In addition, it was made available [*upon request*] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

No members of the media were present.

Call to Order

Director Scott Krein called the meeting to order at 1800.

Election of Officers:

Charlie Vissage nominated Brandon Burton as Chairman with Tony McAlister seconding. No other nominations were brought forward. A unanimous vote approving Brandon Burton as Chairman took place.

Tony McAlister nominated Austin Grant as Vice Chairman with Brandon seconding. No other nominations were brought forward. A unanimous vote approving Austin Grant as Vice Chairman took place.

Tony McAlister nominated Steven Zahn as Secretary with Austin Grant seconding. No other nominations were brought forward. A unanimous vote approving Steven Zahn as Secretary took place.

Set Date & Time of 2022 Fire Commission Meetings:

February 17
March 17
April 21
May 19
June 16
July 21 (Option to cancel)
August 18
September 15
October 20
November 17
December 15 (Option to cancel)

Brandon Burton made a motion to accept these dates with Tony McAlister seconding. A unanimous vote took place accepting this motion. The meetings will be on the 3rd Thursday at 1800 except for the optional 2 dates in July & December.

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Appointment of Committees:

Currently on the Radio Committee members are Steven Zahn, Scott Krein, Michael Smith, Brian Sheriff, Michael James, John Erwin, Travis Tilson, Cole Shirley & Brady Lang. Tony McAlister made a motion to keep the Fire Commission appointees on this committee with Brandon Burton seconding. A unanimous vote took place approving this motion.

Currently on the Incentive Committee members are Jamie Brock & Tony McAlister. Brandon Burton made a motion with Austin Grant seconding to keep these members in place. A unanimous vote took place approving this motion.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the November 17, 2021, meeting were unanimously approved after a motion was made by Charlie Vissage & seconded by Tony McAlister.

Report on Air Pack Purchase

Brady Norris presented a report on the air pack purchase, the process of deciding which manufacturer to go with and which options chosen. Other options are available to the FDs. MSA was chosen. Brady answered questions from the Commission members. Staff will be meeting with each FD to demonstrate the MSA, discuss options and answer questions.

Radio Communications Committee Report – no report

Director Krein's Report – no report

Fire Commission Representatives' Reports

Region 1: A question re purchasing a brush truck. County working on an agreement. To be insured, needs to be in the county name.

Region 2: A question re what is required to get an Incentive check? The Incentive Committee will meet in early February to get this list out now. Director Krein thinks it will be the same as 2021. The major problems was that documentation was not put into ERS. The other problem was the use of nick-names which cannot be put on the Incentive Checks.

Region 3: No updates.

Region 4: Absent

Region 5: Thinks we should jump on the Incentive issue early.

Next Meeting

The next Fire Advisory Commission Meeting will be held on February 17, 2022 beginning at 1800.

Adjourn

Commissioner McAlister made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Vissage, and approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 1835.

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