

**Burton Fire District
Commissioners Meeting
March 25th, 2015
Station 891**

PRESENT: *Commissioner Gary Bright
Commissioner Herbert Burnes
Commissioner John Harris
Commissioner Thomas Peebles*

*Lisa Wechsler - Auditor
Chief Rountree
Dep. Chief Webb*

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Bright @ 18:15

*Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the agenda.
Commissioner Burnes seconded.
Motion approved.*

*Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the January 28th, 2015 minutes.
Commissioner Burnes seconded.
Motion approved.*

*Commissioner Burnes motioned to approve the January & February 2015 financial statements but asked for a review of two line items that are already over budget for the year (Training & tuition and firefighter gear & supplies).
Commissioner Harris seconded.
Motion approved. .*

Audit

Lisa Wechsler from Crowley Wechsler & Associates LLC attended the meeting to present the FY2014 audit.

“At the end of the current fiscal year, Burton Fire District is able to report positive balances in all funds.” – pg. 5 of audit report

General fund:

Personnel - \$93,980 under budget

Administration - \$26,427 under budget

Utilities - \$2,598 under budget

Maintenance - \$18,259 under budget

Training - \$720 over budget

\$153,641 under the expected budget.

The Burton Fire District used \$53,282 of fund balance which was less than expected.

Fund balance at the end of the FY was \$2,411,097.

*Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the FY'14 audit as presented
Commissioner Burnes seconded.
Unanimous vote. Motion approved.*

No executive session needed.

Old Business

KME Truck – *The 2001 KME has been advertised with Palmetto Fire Apparatus for \$80,000. A Pennsylvania Fire Chief flew down earlier this week to test drive the truck. He was very interested and has offered \$70,000 pending the approval from his council. Chief Rountree would like permission from the commission to sell the truck for \$70,000. Commissioner Harris motioned to allow Chief to sell it for \$70,000. Commissioner Bright seconded.*

New Business

FY '16 Budget – *County finance sent us mil value figures as of 3/12/15. As of that date the mil value for Burton was 70,809, which is up from last year at this time. They expect to send out updated figures April 1st to be used to begin the budget process.*

April 7th is the first budget meeting. We will be preparing a budget with a 3% cola as well as others.

Chief Rountree stated he will be coming to the commission to build another pumper.

Bunker Gear- *We will be purchasing 17 sets of turnout gear rather than the 20 we had budgeted. Each set costs a little more than expected. The price will be good until Dec. so we hope to include 20 more sets in the upcoming budget.*

Garvin – *Firefighter Joe Garvin who we just hired in January was reactivated to the Army. He will be resigning soon.*

Sanford – *Engineer Sanford will likely be resigning as well – going to border control. All is pending on his agility test later this week.*

Batt. Chief Deb Lewis – *Retiring from the district on April 17th.*

Wagner – *Brian Wagner will be filling one of those spots. He is scheduled to start April 12th.*

Chiefs Report

Hand out included in packet.

Commissioner Harris Motioned to adjourn.

Commissioner Bright seconded.

Meeting adjourned 19:45.