

**Burton Fire District
Commissioners Meeting
August 31st, 2022
Station 81 – 1800**

PRESENT: Commissioner Gary Bright
Commissioner Stan Ganshow
Commissioner Herbert Burnes
Commissioner Thomas Peeples

Chief Rountree
Capt. Kenyon
Lt. Peluso

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Bright @ 16:02.

Commissioner Ganshow motioned to accept the agenda.
Commissioner Burnes seconded.
Vote unanimous. Motion approved.

Minutes

Commissioner Ganshow motioned to accept the April 21st, 2022 meeting minutes.
Commissioner Burnes seconded.
Vote was unanimous.
Motion approved.

Financials

Commissioner Ganshow motioned to accept the March, April, May, June & July 2022 financials.
Commissioner Burnes seconded.
Vote unanimous. Motion Approved.

Chief Rountree introduced Capt. Kenyon to the Commission. Capt. Kenyon was hired in May as the medical training officer filling the position of Capt. Van Dam.

Lt. Peluso (officer on shift 1) joining the meeting and introduced to the Commission as well.

Executive Session

Commissioner Burnes motioned to enter into executive session to discuss a pending legal matter. Commissioner Peeples seconded.

Entered @ 18:08

Exited @ 18:45

Discussion only. No action taken or needed at this time.

Old Business

Hargray – The contract with Hargray was signed after each Commissioner voted yes via phone call with Chief Rountree. A copy of the email dated May 24th is included with the packet. Installation at Burton hill has begun and progress is being made.

Floors – The floors at Burton Hill & Shell point are in desperate need of being replaced. We will be working to gather quotes from the company that installed the floors at pinewood during the renovation, as well as a couple others.

Fire Trucks – The two pumpers being built are coming along nicely. The truck committee will be heading to WI for the inspection Sept. 20-24. The trucks will then be driven to SC for installation of the vista brakes. We are expecting to have them onsite mid-Oct. We will have a social/welcome home event once we they are here.

Station Sign – Commissioner Ganshow asked if any inquiries have been made to replace the sign at Burton Hill. Chief Rountree will look in to our options and possibly have one made like the one that was put up at pinewood during the renovations.

New Business

MCRD Automatic Aid – We have recently entered into a signed automatic aid agreement with PI Fire & Rescue. Much like the one we have been operating under with MCAS. Auto Aid with PI will help cover the Shell point area for any structure fires or other major incidents that we would need them to respond to. In exchange, we will also send an engine to PI for any of their major incidents.

New Hires – We recently hired FF Fridley. He recently moved to Beaufort is already certified. Joel Cody, also certified, will begin in a few weeks.

Currently have 1 opening.

Jacob Kits – Beaufort County School District bought 2860 kits to place in every classroom in the district. As well as every bus. Many different agencies worked together today to prepare the kits and they are ready to be distributed and installed.

50th Anniversary – Feb. 15th 2023, Burton Fire turns 50! A relaxed celebration is being planned. We have updated the logo to include more gold to represent 50 years of service.

Chief's Report

None

Adjournment

Commissioner Ganshow motioned to adjourn.

Commissioner Burnes seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 19:40.

Next regularly scheduled meeting: September 28th, 2022