

Minutes
Fire Committee Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2023

The special meeting of the Fire Committee was held Monday, March 13, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Chairwoman Terry Davis, and Members of the Fire Committee, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Chairwoman Terry Davis, Council Members: Albert Woodberry, Mayo Phillips, Captain Shawn Lee, and City Clerk Felicia Sawyer-Norton.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Chairwoman Terry Davis called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Chairwoman Terry Davis stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the special meeting for Monday, March 13, 2023.

3. New Business: Departmental Overview

Council Member Terry Davis recognized Captain Shawn Lee. Captain Shawn Lee stated training continues at the Fire Department. The ISO rating is a 4. The cost for a burn building behind Station #2 will cost around \$500,000.00. Cost including LP gas, electricity and fencing will be \$850,000.00. This will include all props and allow other Fire Department's to properly train. The department will offer State and International classes.

Council Member Terry Davis stated the Basic Firefighter program is now offered at the Vocational School. Reggie Washington is currently requesting permission slips for a live burn in Brittons Neck.

Captain Shawn Lee stated ISO (Insurance Services Office) rates departments based on the following: Fire Trucks, equipment, call attendance, live flow attendance, and coverage area. Without the training department the rating could drop back to a 5.

The training ground would include a helicopter landing zone, burn building props, and training.

Captain Lee stated the new rescue truck is in Sumter and equipment will be mounted soon. The mini pumper is out for bid with Pee Dee COG. The mini pumper is scheduled for December 2023. It is ahead of schedule.

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4. Adjournment:

Council Member Mayo Phillips made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Albert Woodberry seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Council Member / Fire Committee Chairwoman Terry Davis

ATTEST:

Felicia Sawyer-Norton, City Clerk