

Pelham-Batesville Fire Department
Board of Fire Control
Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 19, 2026

1. Chairman Frank Cox opened the meeting at 7:00 PM at Headquarters located at 3050 S. Highway 14, Greer. Members present were Chairman Frank Cox, Greg Jackman, Louis Voorhees, Keith Poole and John Parkins. Others present were Chief Phill Jolley, DC Carey Ballew, AC Drew Padgett, BC Mitch Atkins, Capt. Robbie Blikle, Lt. Brandon Cowart, GIS Gary Laughther, FF Matthew Smart, Rainbow Moore, and VC Barry Pittman. Guest: Bill Hancock with The Brittingham Group.
 - a) John Parkins made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Keith Poole seconded the motion, and all members approved.
2. Greg Jackman made a motion to accept the minutes as written for the regularly scheduled meeting on November 17, 2025. Louis Voorhees seconded the motion, and all members approved.
3. Financial Report:
 - a) John Parkins presented the financial reports for December 2025.
4. Old Business:
 - a) DC Ballew updated the Board that Station 3's exterior renovations are almost complete. The work on the extended patio has begun and should be completed in a month's time which will close out the renovation project.
 - b) Chief Jolley informed the Board that the Station 4 project is still on hold waiting for Spartanburg County and/or property consent from adjoining property owners.
5. New Business:
 - a) Mr. Bill Hancock with The Brittingham Group presented to the Board the 2024 Financial Audit. There were no questions following the review of the audit. The Board was informed that the 2025 Financial Audit should be ready for review in June 2026.
 - b) Lt. Cowart demonstrated the LUCAS Device for the Board to consider purchasing (3) LUCAS Devices so that each apparatus can be equipped with this lifesaving device. This Capital Request (9010) was budgeted at \$75,000.00. Keith Poole made a motion to purchase the (3) LUCAS Devices not to exceed the budgeted \$75,000.00. Greg Jackman seconded the motion and all approved.
 - c) John Parkins made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Issue. Keith Poole 2nd the motion and all members approved. Members entered the Executive Session at 7:42 PM. Members exited the Executive Session at 7:58 PM. No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session
6. Reports:
 - a) Response and Inspection: DC Ballew presented the response and inspection reports to the board.
 - b) Other Reports: None

c) Chief Reports:

- Annual Awards Banquet will be held at Hartness on January 30, 2026, at 6:30 PM.
- The regular scheduled meeting for September 21, 2026, falls during the SC Fire Leadership Conference, therefore, that meeting will be rescheduled to September 28, 2026.
- Next regular Commissioner's Meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2026, at the regular time of 7:00 PM.

7. Keith Poole made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully,

Greg Jackman, Secretary