

**Pelham-Batesville Fire Department
Board of Fire Control
Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 18, 2024**

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, Keith Poole, Greg Jackman, John Parkins and Louis Voorhees. Others present were Chief Phill Jolley, DC Carey Ballew, AC Drew Padgett, BC Brandon McNeill, Capt. Ryan Barnett, Lt. Worthy, Lt. Dorsey, Eng. Bryant, Eng. Cooper, FF Ballew, FF Bautista, FF Huff, FF Brooks and VC Barry Pittman. Public guest Mr. Henry Donald.

****PUBLIC HEARING****

Opened at 7:00 PM. No questions. Closed at 7:00 PM.

- 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 October 21, 2024. Louis Voorhees seconded the motion, and all members approved.
3. Financial Report:
 - a) John Parkins presented the financial reports for October 2024.
4. Old Business:
 - a) Discussion and consideration of the 2025 Budget addressed during Executive Session.
5. New Business:
 - a) Lt. Worthy presented to the Board several quotes for rope rescue equipment for Capital Budget item 9008 - Rescue Operations. Approved budget amount was \$5,000.00. After reviewing the quotes John Parkins made a motion to order the rope rescue equipment from RescueDirect.com, not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$5,000.00. Keith Poole seconded the motion and all approved.
 - b) Capt. Barnett presented the Board with several quotes for Capital Budget item 9009 – EV Fire Equipment. Approved budget amount was \$11,200.00. After reviewing all provided quotes John Parkins made a motion to purchase (1) EV Blanket and (1) Nozzle from MES not to exceed \$5,000.00. Louis Vorhees seconded the motion and all approved.
 - c) Louis Vorhees made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:25 PM to discuss budget and personnel pay. John Parkins seconded the motion and Board entered into Executive Session. The board came out of Executive Session at 8:16 PM. Louis Vorhees made a motion to approve the 2025 Budget at \$6,961,210.60. John Parkins seconded and all approved.

6. Reports:

- a) Response and Inspection: DC Ballew presented the response and inspection reports to the board.
- b) Other Reports: None
- c) Chief Reports:
 - Kid's Christmas Party December 7, 2024, from 1 – 3 PM.
 - Awards Banquet is scheduled for January 31, 2025 at 6:30 PM at Hotel Hartness.
 - Next regular Commissioner's Meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2025, at the regular time of 7:00 PM.

7. Keith Poole made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully,

Greg Jackman, Secretary