

**NEWBERRY COUNTY
BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL
April 27, 2023**

The meeting for the Board of Rural Fire Control was held at the Newberry County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) 540 Wilson Road, Newberry, SC on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

Members of the Board:

Jason Fulmer, Chairman

Daniel Werts, Vice-Chairman

Rodney Bedenbaugh-Secretary-Absent

Bert Lucas

Clay Bodie

Wesley Boland

Rodney Wicker

John Pollard

Keith Minick

Terry Russell

Aubrey Horne, II

Others Present:

Tommy Long- Emergency Services Director, Brandon Wicker- Emergency Services Coordinator, Councilman Karl Sease, Chief Robert Dennis-Prosperity Fire Department, Chief Ray Ellison- Whitmire Fire Department, Chief Barry Richardson- Pomaria Fire Department, Chief Blake Davis-Fairview Fire Department, Chief Aubrey Horne, Sr.-St. Philips Fire Department, Assistant Chiefs Bobby Reynolds and Allen Cox-Friendly Fire Department, Assistant Chief John Cumalander-Little Mountain Fire, Assistant Chief Brian Shealy-St. Philips Fire Department and Nick Huffstetler- Little Mountain Fire Department

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fulmer
2. **Additions, Deletions and Adoption of Agenda and Minutes:**
 - Addition- Discussion of quarterly utility checks.The agenda was adopted with all in favor.
3. **Public Comments:** No comments from the public.
4. **Personal Appearances-** Introduction of Councilman Karl Sease
5. **Business Meeting**

- A. **Discussion of Saturday Siren Test-**Voted to only do siren test once a month. Every 4th Saturday starting in June. Member Werts made the motion Member Lucas second with all in favor.
- B. **Use of Training Grounds for Events-** Decided to send to training ground committee for their input and bring back to Board.
- C. **Training Requirements-**The Chairman established a committee to handle and bring back recommendation. Committee members are Chief Robert Dennis, Nick Huffstetler, Daniel Claytor, Robert Reynolds, and Chief Keith Minick.
- D. **Discussion of Quarterly Utility Checks-** No action taken.

6. Sub-Committees:

ISO: Nothing to report

Building and Maintenance: Nothing to report

Communications: Flash upgrades needed and patch capabilities now with Fairfield and Saluda counties.

Truck and Equipment: Waiting on budget and funding.

Training Ground: Working to start back monthly training at training grounds.

7. Executive Session- Executive session was held, no action taken.

8. Comments from Chairman or Vice-Chairman: None

9. Comments from Board Members: None

10. Future Meetings

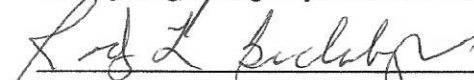
Regular Board meeting: TBA

11. Adjournment

Chairman Fulmer declared the meeting adjourned.



Tommy Long, Emergency Service Director



Rodney Bedenbaugh, BRFC Secretary