



**Newberry County Board of Rescue Squads  
Regular Meeting (Rescheduled)  
April 29, 2026  
6:00 pm**

**Attendance:**

Hipp – Sta 13	Johnson – Sta 14	Russell – Sta 15
Andrews – Sta 16	Cassada – Sta 17	Birochak – Sta 18
Bishop – Sta 19		
Wilbanks - NCSO	Silvers - Comms	Richardson, B - 13
Andrews, Jr, A - 16	Seibert, G - 19	Long – EM1
Wicker – EM2	Luckadou	

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Charman Johnson.

**Approval of Agenda:**

The agenda was approved as published.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The agenda was approved as presented.

**Personal Appearances:**

Newberry County Administrator T Luckadou

**Public Comments:**

None

**Business Items:**

**Old Business:**

- Budget Reports – Mr. Long presented current budget status report for review. Board accepted as information. He also reported that the budget request for the upcoming FY remains unchanged. As presented to Council by the Administration, no funds were provided for vehicles or rescue tool replacement.
- First Due Reporting Software Conversion Update – Mr. Wicker reported the progress being made on converting to First Due and the migration process.
- Ordinance Revision – Tabled to next meeting.

## **New Business:**

- Dispatch of Squads to Entrapment: – Motion made by Andrews, Seconded by Hipp, Passed unanimously by Board. Mr. Long is to meet, no later than May 8 with Sheriff Foster to begin implementation a process whereby 2 Squads will be dispatched to any situation involving reported or possible entrapment.

Until such time as GIS mapping can provide a secondary squad within the CAD system, initial determination of the second squad will be made by the dispatcher. The first responding rescue member made, as needed, request additional squads or resources.

## **Executive Session**

- None Required

## **Discussion from Members**

**Station 13:** Requested Mr. Long invite EMS director to May Board Meeting.

**Station 14:** Inquired regarding the installation and startup of building generator.

**Station 15:** Discussed the need to utilize multiple year's budget allocations for major purchases.

**Station 16:** Informed Board of scheduled rehab of the overhead bridge across CSX rail line in Whitmire. The average train will block all crossings in town until it passes. Inquired of dispatch of ability to contact CSX to stop train as needed.

**Station 17:** Discussed setting meeting time for 6 pm. Multiple members expressed concern over conflicts with that time.

**Station 18:** Discussed repair currently underway at their station.

**Station 19:** Inquired about repair of sewer lines at their station.

## **Adjourn**

Motion by Andrews. Unanimous.

## **Future Meetings:**

- Regular Meeting – May 27, 2026, 7:00 pm at EOC.