

**BLACKMAN FIRE DISTRICT MEETING**

DATE: 11 October 2022

REGULARLY SCHEDULED

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

EMERGENCY

WORKSHOP

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Chairperson Larry Cunningham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Vice Chairman Ronnie Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Sec/Tres Jim Lawson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Steve Lawson	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Commissioner Stephen Fountain	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Welcome/Call Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting minutes from 13 September 2022 Regular meeting were read and approved.  
Financial report for September 2022 was read and approved.

Chiefs report. 12 Medical, 2 MVA, 1 Fire Service for a total of 15 calls for September 2022

Chief Bingham presented the increasing of our annual budget by 5 per cent. It was suggested a poll be taken report turned in for November meeting to gather more information and thoughts of the district residents. Tabled until November 10<sup>th</sup>.

RRR a program to help under privileged children has requested the department provide trucks and personnel at an upcoming event to support this program. A motion was made and approved.

A list of personnel no longer affiliated with our department was presented and those folks were voted off the roster. See paper copy attached.

Attack 70 is at Justin Diesel for repair. An estimate of \$1550 was presented and approved to allow work to proceed.

The pumper truck has a serious leak and needs repair. An organization by the name of Semes will do onsite repair which will be cheaper and faster than driving the vehicle off site for repair. Their estimate for repairs is approximately \$2920. This cost could increase should unknown issues be found as work progressed.

Ten new radios are in possession and need to be programmed. They will be operating off the existing radio system until new system is up and running.

50/50 Forestry grant is ready to be turned in. Paperwork was given to Chief Bingham to forward to state forestry personnel for processing.

The county had previously requested permission to install a tower, concrete pad and access path to this tower which once installed would enhance the radio transmissions in the surrounding area. Due to the owners, Clay family, wanting money the county withdrew their proposal. Attorney Mark Weldon informed the board he had been given authority to meet with the Clay family, offer them some amount of money, remove the clause reverting the property back to them should the fire department go away for some reason in the future. More to come on this as this program moves forward.

The proposed annual budget for 2022-2023 was presented and approved. Said budget will be