

The Board of: Riceville Volunteer Fire Department
Met at: 6:30PM
On: Monday, June 19, 2023
For: Regular Board Meeting
Moderator: Lisa McCallister (Treasurer)
Members Present: Lee Barrett, Kent Creasman, Dan Friday, Kathy Higdon,
Dan Little (via audio/video) and Carla McLendon
Not Present: Mark Curran and Judy Dillingham
Guest(s):

1. **Call the Meeting to Order:** Lisa McCallister called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. She relayed Mark Curran was sick and had asked her to moderate the meeting.

2. **Announcements:** Lisa McCallister read the following announcement:

“The Board of Directors thru the chairperson, has recently rec’d an email from Brownie Newman, Chairman of the Buncombe County Commissioners, expressing his concern regarding the removal of board member Dan Friday.

That action was passed at our regular meeting on May 15, 2023, by a motion, a second, discussion and a vote of the board. (6 to 2)

The Board has followed Section 3.6 of the existing bylaws, which have been in place since June 2018. These bylaws were approved by the members of the corporation; the board of directors seated at that time and were reviewed by legal counsel for the department.

The matter has been forwarded to our legal counsel for review and we are awaiting their response.

Given these circumstances, we will not conduct our regular meeting this evening.

When we have an answer and are clear on how we should legally proceed, we will post the date and time of the next meeting in all required locations.

Thank you for your understanding.”

3. **Adjournment:** Lisa McCallister called for a motion to adjourn. Kent Creasman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32PM. Kathy Higdon seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The Board did not adjourn to Executive Session, as there was no business necessitating this action.

4. **Note:** Judy Dillingham was not present for the meeting, but arrived as participants were departing. She was provided a hardcopy of the announcement referenced in the second paragraph above (2. Announcements).