

HISTORY OF GRANT'S MILL RURAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

On February 16, 1981, Tavener Threatte, Tharen Caulder, Hadley Caulder, Thomas Smith, Hank Crawley and R. P. Presson met at R. P. Presson's house to discuss the organizing of a rural volunteer fire department.

After much careful thinking, these men decided to send out 500 letters to the citizens of Teal's Mill Community to see if the people were interested in fire protection. The response was overwhelmingly for fire protection.

These six men met again and elected officers as follows:

R. P. Presson, President
Hadley Caulder, Vice-President
Tavener Threatte, Secretary and Treasurer
Thomas Smith, Member of Board of Directors
Hank Crawley, Member of Board of Directors
Tharen Caulder, Member of Board of Directors

The six mentioned above are all members of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors have been meeting regularly on each Thursday night since February 16th. The board has done the following:

1. Decided to call the organization Grant's Mill Rural Volunteer Fire Department. The reason being that Teal's Mill is located in the Grant's Mill voting precinct.
2. A tract of land was bought on June 6, 1981, from Hadley and Darlene Caulder. This tract is located on the Teal's Mill and Chesterfield Highway, Highway #20. Hadley and Darlene Caulder signed an agreement with the fire department for water rights from the pond located just behind the fire department land.
3. Grant's Mill Rural Volunteer Fire Department has a charter and is a non-profit organization.
4. By-laws have been drawn up.
5. Drew up a fire district.

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