

Leicester Volunteer Fire Department

April 28, 2025

Regular Session

Attendees included:

Vice President: Ken Bailey

Treasurer: Kendra Ferguson

Members at Large: Joan Creasman, Karla Reed

President: Steven Marlowe available by phone

Minutes recorded by Karla Reed member at large

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 07:03 by Vice President Ken Bailey and opened with prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Report. Report was read but not accepted due to the absence of a quorum. Tabled until the May meeting.

Treasurer Report: Report given but not accepted due the absence of a quorum. Tabled until May meeting.

Annual budget delivered to the county finance office.

Old Business: Engine 3 in service at Station 3. Helene debriefing conducted by Buncombe County Emergency Management. 2 new hires of Emergency Medical Technicians. Public events scheduled for the community.

New Business: RYES Construction and architect present. 3 designs presented. Discussion of adding an addition to the rear of building in order to just sprinkle those bedrooms with a 3 hour fire wall instead of installing sprinkles for the entire building. This would keep the area smaller which would bring into play for the well capacity and storage tank. No numbers ran on being cost efficient. RYES states that the crews would be able to

continue to live in building during remodel. Discussion for 2 fitness areas (indoor/outdoor). Shower in decon area. Building committee wanted RYES/architect to send in proposal for the cost of his fee.

Discussion concerning filling the member at large seat vacated when Kendra Ferguson became the treasurer and what board members were up for election. Discussion of feasibility of filling member at large before the election in June. The amendment for the by-laws concerning Conflict of Interest (Section 3.5) was presented again. At this time President Steven Marlowe was contacted by phone and the amendment was voted. Kendra Ferguson made the motion to accept the amendment, Ken Bailey seconded and was passed unanimously.

Regular session was adjourned at 8:30