# Edisto Beach Volunteer Fire Dept. November 21, 2019 Minutes of the

### **Unfinished Business:**

President Mike Casey encourages us to solicit more members. We need enough members to reach a quorum for action items at meetings.

December 4- Town of Edisto Beach Christmas party, 3-6 at Coot's.

#### **New Business:**

The Fire Committee and Fire Board met to discuss the non-participation issue and agree:

Non-participating members will be moved to auxiliary status and will not receive the tax benefit or have voting privileges. They will have the opportunity to be reinstated if they start attending meetings, training and responding to calls and meet with the Fire Chief and Volunteer President for approval.

A Christmas party for all first responders in our service area; town and county EMS, sheriff, and volunteers were discussed. It is put on by a group of ladies under Bilo umbrella to honor first responders. They take donations and use money to feed us.

It will be December 19<sup>th</sup> at Council Chambers and you may bring a guest. It was voted unanimously to accept and voted to help financially if they don't get enough donations. Invitations are going out in the mail.

Please note: we had sufficient attendance to have a quorum so voting was valid!!

### **Training:**

Ken Dasen said to contact him if you are not getting your emails for Target Solutions. We are supposed to be doing 20 hours a month of Target Solutions training.

## **Financial Report:**

We have a very healthy bank account; voted to accept budget and approved unanimously

#### **Chief's Report:**

Both Fire Committee and Fire Board have met, and both are satisfied with what we are doing as a Fire Department. Ladder Truck update: almost completely re-built at a tremendous savings of \$270,000 vs. 1million.

Stations remodel update: plans are in drawing stage; then Chief will send out bids for construction. Lots of nice changes and improvements.

The Town is looking into replacing Town Hall in next 5 years; 2022 funding will be available, and construction should start 2024-25

T shirt sales:

Volunteers are doing an outstanding job selling t-shirts! Thank you Wendy and Kate.

They will be selling Monday, 11/25/19 at Bilo. Need help so contact Wendy!

ID cards: a new machine is on order for ID cards

We are in process of updating roster.

VIP forms/tax credit forms: you have to get 70 points to get a tax credit on your state income tax. Chief handed out our forms and he will check off what each individual has done.

Mike Casey concluded by thanking Scott Epps for an easy transition into being President and thanked all of us for all we do. "Attendance and Participation is the cornerstone of a healthy organization."

Respectfully submitted,

Bess Kellett