

Landrum Fire and Rescue District

Meeting of The Commission Minutes: April 26, 2021
6:00pm at the Landrum Fire and Rescue District Station

In Attendance:

Commissioners: Pam Hilsman, JR Jackson, Joe Brown, and Scott Owens

Others Present: Warren Ashmore and Taft Matney

Commissioners Not in Attendance:

Tiffany Freel

Proceedings:

Invocation was given by Warren Ashmore.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pam Hilsman.

In accordance with South Carolina legal requirements, meeting notification was posted on the Landrum Fire and Rescue door and website (landrumfire.com).

Minutes of the previous meeting on March 22, 2021 were read and approved.

Old Business

Discussion took place on the proposed substation located on Fairwinds Road.

Discussion took place on setting up an account to receive donations online.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2021 was presented.

Fire Chief's Report

Warren Ashmore presented the Fire Chief's Report for the month of April 2021.

New Business

Citing a potential conflict of interest due to a family relationship, pursuant to Section 8-13-700 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, Scott Owens submitted a letter to Chairwoman Hilsman recusing himself from any votes, deliberations, and other actions relating to the scholarship entries. A copy of his letter is included in the minutes.

Discussion took place on the entries of applicants for the scholarships available to graduating high school seniors in The District's coverage area.

MOTION to adjourn at 7:32pm was made by Scott Owens and seconded by Joe Brown, unanimous.

Submitted by

JR Jackson



The Honorable Pamela K. Hilsman
Chair; Landrum Area Fire and Rescue District
200 N. Trade Ave
Landrum, SC 29356

April 26, 2021

Dear Chairwoman Hilsman:

Pursuant to Section 8-13-700 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, please allow this letter to serve as notice that I must and hereby recuse myself from any votes, deliberations, and other actions relating to a New Business item on the April 26, 2021 regular meeting agenda relating to scholarship entries.

The justification in this recusal is based on a direct conflict-of-interest due to a family member applying to become a scholarship recipient. Even though I will not be in a capacity to select scholarship recipients, being present, taking part in discussions, or obtaining any knowledge about the contest other than what is publicly available would be improper due to my position as a commissioner with the Landrum Area Fire and Rescue District.

This recusal letter shall remain in effect until such time as final action is taken on this issue.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott Owens", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Scott Owens
Commissioner, Landrum Area Fire and Rescue District

cc: J. R. Jackson; Secretary
Warren Ashmore; Chief Administrative Officer