

CHARLTON COUNTY FIRE BOARD  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019  
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM  
6:00 P.M.

8/26/2019 - Minutes

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Those present were: Lee Gowen, Chairman, along with Fire Board members Orival Thompson, Jesse Crews, and Kip Taylor; Folkston Fire Chief C. L. Lewis, Willard Turner, County Administrator Hampton Raulerson; Secretary Jenifer Nobles; and visitors as recorded hereafter.

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Mr. Gowen led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Mr. Crews made motion to adopt the August 26, 2019 Agenda. Motion was seconded by Mr. Thompson, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

**4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

Mr. Crews made motion to approve July 24, 2019 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Thompson, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

**5. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Crews made motion to approve Financial Report. Motion was seconded by Mr. Thompson, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

**6. ONWR, TERRI JENKINS**

Terri Jenkins, ONWR, reported that three (3) Refuge personnel are in Texas fighting wildfires, probably through October and Station Fire Manager is in Boise. Okefenokee Pioneer Day is scheduled for November, Labor Day Celebration - entry fee will be waived. Mrs. Jenkins reported that retirees will not be replaced. Fire Board asked that letter be sent to Congressman Buddy Carter asking for assistance and concern when staff retires.

**7. REPORTS: GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION: ROGER TODD**

Roger Todd was absent. Kenny Lee was present and reported all trucks and tractors are operable. Georgia Forestry is also sending group to Texas for fighting wildfires. kbi is 374 and received 4 1/2" rain this month. St. George unit is almost completed and will be manned five (5) days a week, with truck and tractor available.

**8. GUESTS**

None.

**9. REPORTS:**

Chief Lewis reported that State class will be held for the next three (3) months.

Equipment purchased with USDA grant is scheduled to be in next week.

FYI - SWOT Analysis - The Fire Board and Chief Lewis will form committee, to also include Roger Todd and Terri Jenkins to look over strengths and weaknesses of the fire department.

Chief Lewis reported that there are 33 active personnel. Volunteers are needed.

Fire Board member Kip Taylor entered meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**10. PERSONNEL REPORT**

**11. FIRE RUN REPORTS BY TYPES (ENCLOSED IN HANDOUT)**

**12. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK REPORT**

County Administrator Raulerson a

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)**

None.

**14. NEXT MEETING, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 - 6:00 P.M. BOC CONFERENCE ROOM**

**15. ADJOURN**

Mr. Thompson made motion to adjourn meeting at 6:35 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. Taylor, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.