



CITY OF ROME and FLOYD COUNTY GEORGIA



FIRE OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

February 8, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Sam King Room

Rome/Floyd Fire Overview Committee met at 10:30AM on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, in the Sam King Room.

Members present:

Sammy Rich, City Manager
Jamie, McCord, County Manager
Bonney Askew, City Commissioner - Chairman
Mark Cochran, City Commissioner
Wright Baby, County Commissioner
Scotty Hancock, County Commissioner

Troy Brock, Fire Chief
Curt Pierson, Deputy Fire Chief
Brad Roberson, Division Chief
Mary Catherine Chewning, Fire Marshal
Toni Rhinehart, Finance Director
Doug Walker, Public Information Officer

Absent: Division Chief Clete Bonney, and Public Safety Division Director John Blalock

Commissioner Bonney Askew, Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:33AM. Minutes of the August 2021 meeting were approved by common consent.

I. **Financial Statements** - Finance Director Toni Rhinehart discussed financials for November 2021. Total revenues for Fire reached \$14,250,000.00. Total expenses for Fire reached \$13,400.00. Mrs. Rhinehart stated Fire came out to the good \$835,000.00. The cash balance was 1.9 million at the end of 2021. The cash balance was 1.7 million at the end of 2020. Mrs. Rhinehart stated that Fire previously budgeted for a lease purchase in 2021. This purchase will come on board in 2022. A portion of the fund balance was used to balance the 2021 budget.

II. **Fire Chief Report**

- **December & January** – Fire Marshal Mary Catherine Chewning reported December was extremely busy with a total of 579 runs, compared to January which had 575 runs for the month. Chewning stated that the City had 272 calls in December and 264 in January; the County had 307 in December and 311 in January. Education reached 33,286 residents in December versus 43,901 in January. Inspections totaled 104 for the month of December and decreased to 71 for January due to increased training hours. Chewning stated that in December there were 4 structure fires compared to the 8 structure fires, 2 fatalities, and 1 arson arrest for the month of January.
- **Operations** – Division Chief Roberson reported the replacement pumper for Engine 7 continues in production at TEN8. This pumper will serve the Coosa community. Roberson stated the final

inspection should be in March. Another tanker will be added to the department making a total of 2. This will help in areas with limited water, or that have low water pressure. Tankers will be located at Station 6 and Station 1. New ladder truck planned for 2024. Chief Roberson mentioned air monitoring training for the department to assist with hazmat, and natural gas.

- **Manpower** – Deputy Chief Pierson stated 14 new employees start February 21st. Pierson stated that 4 of the new hires are already state certified. The department is currently undergoing a captain's promotion process with 2 available positions with 8 strong candidates.
- **Station 1** – Chief Brock reported the updates needed for Station 1. The remodel would take \$100,000.00 plus. Station 1 is 49 years old. Brock provided pictures of required updates needed to Station 1. Relocation of Station 1 was discussed by using SPLOST money. Brock stated that it would take 4-5 million to build a new station. The department is currently searching for a new location to build station.

Adjourned 11:13AM

Respectfully Submitted,



Shana Williamson
Operations Coordinator