



County Council Committee Minutes

Public Safety and Judiciary Committee January 27, 2020

The Public Safety and Judiciary Committee of Spartanburg County Council met on Monday, January 27, 2020, in County Council Chambers of the County Administrative Office Building. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of this meeting was provided in advance to the local news media and other interested parties. The following were in attendance: Honorable Michael Brown, Chairman; Honorables Whitney Farr and Bob Walker, Committee Members; along with Honorables Manning Lynch, Jack Mabry, David Britt, and Roger Nutt, Council Members. Also attending were Cole Alverson, County Administrator; Earl Alexander, Deputy County Administrator; John Harris, County Attorney; and Ginny Dupont, County Attorney.

I.

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order.

II.

- A. Chief Donnie Carlson, Trinity Fire Department, presented information in reference to a request from Trinity Fire Department to apply for the Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) to replace radios. Trinity Fire Department would like to buy new portable handheld radios. The merger brought four fire departments together, so they have a variety of radios. If awarded, the new radios will improve connectivity to their current VHF system and be dual band. They will work with the current system and will work if the County decides to switch to 800 MHz system. There is a required match of five to ten percent. The match will be covered by the Trinity Fire Department's Fund. The maximum match for the grant would be \$33,710.29. Mr. Alverson and Mr. Flynn have looked over the application. Mr. Alverson stated that this would offer some forward thought in converting to 800 MHz radios. These would be dual band radios. This is simply an application. There is no guarantee of any movement forward, and it does not obligate the Council or the County to actually receiving or accepting the grant. Mr. Alverson stated the match would come directly from the Trinity Fire Department Fund. It is a separate fund unto itself provided for by a millage levied within the geographical boundaries of the tax district. Motion made by Mr. Farr to approve the request. Motion seconded by Mr. Walker and carried.

B. Updated information received regarding activities of Building Codes

Meeting adjourned.