

**Oconee County Fire Rescue
Station Chiefs Meeting
Station 8 – 6:00 PM
December 8, 2025**

CHIEFS PRESENT:

Fire Chief, Bruce Thaxton
EMA Director, CJ Worden
Station #1 Chief, Mike Link
Station #2 Chief, Greg Peck
Station #4 Chief, Chris Higginbotham

Station #5 Chief, Jason Mauldin
Station #6 Captain, Emily Alger
Station #7 Chief, Nelson Wilbanks
Station #8 Chief, Mike Towe

Andrew Kinnard, Matt Nunn, and Jaron Queen were also in attendance.

OPEN MEETING called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion to approve November 10, 2025 minutes was approved.

I. Truck / Station Maintenance:

1. Looked over outstanding work orders for Fire Rescue.

II. Training:

1. Chiefs reviewed the training schedule for December. December training consists of (15) various fire & medical classes, and Truck / Station Maintenance nights at each station.
2. Chiefs reviewed the potential Firefighter and Medical Responder roster. Four potential recruits need to complete the December 10th Firefighter's Assessment Lab.
3. Chiefs reviewed the monthly training hours for November.

III. Miscellaneous:

1. Jaron Queen provided recommendations from the Hose & Nozzle committee. Jaron proposed the following replacement equipment for all Engines:
 - a) Elkhart smooth bore nozzles in crosslay & skid load, fog nozzles in crosslay & trash line.
 - b) Key Combat Ready hose for (2) crosslays, trash line, & skid load.
 - c) Nozzles will have Engine number etched into the nozzles along with colored nozzle tip to match the hose color.
 - d) Hose will have Engine number printed on the hose.

e) Smooth bore nozzles will have 7/8” tip for crosslay & 1 5/16” tip for skid load.

f) Bruce recommended blue hose to match smooth bore nozzle in crosslay; red hose to match fog nozzle in crosslay; yellow hose to match fog nozzle in trash line compartment; white hose to match smooth bore nozzle in skid load.

Mike Towe made a motion to accept the hose & nozzle recommendation, Emily Alger seconded the motion, and all Chiefs voted yes for the motion.

2. Bruce provided a “Truck Driver Roster” to the Chiefs. All Chiefs were encouraged to get non-certified members checked off on driver training.
3. Chiefs reviewed an appeal for a light & siren permit from Matt Nunn. Nelson Wilbanks made a motion to approve the permit, Jason Mauldin seconded the motion, and the Chiefs voted as follows: Mike Link, Jason Mauldin, Emily Alger, Nelson Wilbanks, & Mike Towe voted yes. Chris Higginbotham noted no. Greg Peck abstained. The motion for the permit was approved.
4. Chiefs reviewed volunteers that lack training hours. All non-career Medical Responders and Firefighters must have the annual 24 hours of training prior to **December 19th, 2025**. Chiefs were encouraged to contact members that are lacking training hours.

Open Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Minutes taken & typed by Bruce Thaxton.