



South Carolina Volunteer Strategic Assistance Fire Equipment Program

V-SAFE Panel Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 10 a.m. Conference Call

I. Call to Order and Welcome: Chairman Tres Atkinson

The meeting was posted and advertised pursuant to all South Carolina laws, rules, and regulations. Chairman Atkinson called the conference call to order at 10:03 a.m.

The following panel members were present (see below) on the phone. In person were LLR employees Adam Russell (advice attorney), George Stapleton, and Susan Duncan. A quorum was present.

II. Introduction and Roll Call of Members

V-SAFE Panel Members									
Jonathan Jones	X	Tres Atkinson	P	Barry McRoy	P	Tony Dicks	P	Tommy Keaton	A
Bill Dunlap	P	Steve Arsenault	P	Randy Swinton	P	Glenn Poole	P	Vacant	

P: Via Phone X: Present A: Absent

III. Approval of Agenda and Previous Minutes (Feb. 23, 2018)

Jonathan Jones made a motion to approve the agenda. Randy Swinton seconded. The motion carried unanimously without discussion.

Barry McRoy made a motion to approve the February 23, 2018, meeting minutes. Glenn Poole seconded. The motion carried unanimously without discussion.

IV. Consideration of Grant Amendments

Jonathan Jones shared three requests for grant amendments. Panel members were reminded of the current S.C. law regarding grant amendments.

- 1) Callison VFD—Amount of award totaled \$29,276. Requesting to use \$4,407 toward a fire prevention program (smoke alarms). Glenn Poole made a motion to accept the amendment. Barry McRoy seconded. The motion carried unanimously without discussion.
- 2) Joanna FD – Amount of award totaled \$28,880. Requesting to use \$2,430 toward elementary school fire prevention programs and to purchase smoke alarms. Barry McRoy made a motion to accept the amendment. Bill Dunlap seconded. The motion carried unanimously without discussion.
- 3) Lower Lake Greenwood FD – Amount of award \$22,269.29. Requesting to use \$1,276.84 to augment the purchase of nozzles (\$300) and support a cancer safety program by purchasing flash hoods. The Panel was reminded \$300 of grant can be used, by law, to “continue or expand, the

activities for which they received the award.” Steve Arsenault made a motion to accept the amendment. Bill Dunlap seconded. The motion carried unanimously without discussion.

V. Old Business

Glenn Poole stated the purchased tools have helped his department effectively respond to several highway and HazMat calls within his community.

VI. New Business

Jonathan Jones stated a bill is being submitted for legislative consideration to provide leeway in grant amendments. It will also allow the Peer Review Panel to define funding priorities.

The Region 3 seat remains vacant.

Before launching the next grant application, the application must be revised. Once those changes have been accepted by the Panel, staff will need time to revise and test the data.

Tony Dicks suggested a press release (or other type of notification) regarding an update to how the department grant purchases have made a difference to local communities.

V. Next Meeting and Adjournment

A motion was made by Randy Swinton to adjourn the meeting. Glenn Poole seconded. The motion carried unanimously without discussion. The next meeting was not scheduled and is at the call of the chair. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.