

**The Association of Special Purpose Districts for Greenville County**

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Quarterly Meeting Minutes  
January 25, 2024

Belmont Fire and Sanitation	Canebrake Fire District
Parker Fire District	Piedmont Public Service District
South Greenville Fire District	Greater Greenville Sanitation Commission
	Greenville County Sheriff's Office

**Meeting called to Order:** Chief Segars

**Welcome:** Commissioner Ed Poore welcomed everyone to Piedmont Public Service District.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Ed Poore, Piedmont Public Service District

**Invocation:** Ed Poore, Piedmont Public Service District

**Dinner:**

- o Piedmont Public Service District provided dinner.

**Educational Program:**

Greenville County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Marcus Davenport greeted the membership and shared various things happening at the Sheriff's Office. He touched on the continued cooperative efforts between his office and the fire departments within Greenville County. He also discussed the number of new deputy's that are out on the road today, so many He has a hard time remembering all their names. If you have a

problem, ask to speak to a supervisor, if you have a problem and fail to share it with the command staff, it can't be addressed and fixed. Ief

Chief Davenport commented on Sheriff Lewis being out of town this week, "He really hated he couldn't be here." He also acknowledged that the Sheriff's door is always open if you need to see him.

Chief Davenport introduced Sgt. Adrian Allen, who serves at the contact for the newly developed HRU, (Homeless Response Unit).

Sgt. Allen greeted the membership, and discussed the work that HRU is doing in Greenville County. The HRU has deputies in the 4 sections of the county. They are making contact with the homeless population and educating them on various items, such as shelters, ministries, and other agencies that can be of assistance to them.

The HRU is giving them a chance and assisting in getting them in touch with the right people before incarceration. Sgt. Allen advised that we have close to 600 homeless with in the county, that we know of. Many programs are in place to assist, including, sending them home in some cases. Many of the individuals they come in contact with are from other states, and really just want to get back home.

If you need to report a homeless camp in your area, or have an other issue that Sgt. Allen can assist you or your department in, he can be reached at 864-593-1175.

Next up was Rivers Stillwell, Attorney with Maynard, Nexson here in Greenville. Rivers started the evening asking the membership what their questions were. The topic of conversation seemed to be annexation, and the things SPD's can do to protects themselves.

Rivers suggested that we all get in room together, and be proactive in our dealings with any municipality.

### **Recognitions:**

- Lynn Ballard; Friend to the Association
- Ken Ledford, Greater Greenville Sanitation Commission

### **New Commissioner's:**

- Bubba Bagwell, South Greenville Fire District
- John Snover, Canebrake Fire District

**Presentation of Minutes** from the October 26, 2023 meeting at Canebrake Fire Department. A motion was made by Robert Cass, (Belmont FD) seconded by Mark Jones, (Canebrake FD) to approve the minutes as presented. With all members present in agreement, motion passed.

**The Treasurer's Report** was presented to the membership. A motion was made by Mark Jones, (Canebrake FD) seconded by Jeffrey Bagwell, (Belmont FD) to approve the treasurers report as presented. With all members present in agreement, motion passed.

**Old Business:**

There was no Old Business on the agenda or from the floor.

**New Business:**

Chief Segars advised the membership that the secretary's position is open. Jamie Bullock had resigned and taken a position in the private sector. Chief Segars advised, he would be making contacts with membership, and hopes to have a candidate for the position by the next meeting.

Chief Segars discussed the SCSPD Legislative breakfast in Columbia last week.

**Announcements**

**District Activities:**

GCSPD Meeting April 25, 2024:	Parker District
GCSPD Meeting July 25, 2024:	South Greenville FD
GCSPD Meeting October 24, 2024:	

**State Activities:**

SCSPD Leadership Program: May 16, 2024: Doko Manor, Blythewood SC  
SCSPD Conference: October 16- October 18, 2023: Embassy Suites, Myrtle Beach, SC

**Adjourn:** Canebrake Fire Department made a motion to adjourn, Piedmont FD seconded the motion, all were in favor at 8:55 PM.