



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 5.

DATE OF MEETING: July 12, 2010

REQUESTED BY: Shannon Bennett, Deputy Fire Chief and President/Chairman of the Board,
Long Creek Grady Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.

SHORT TITLE: Update on Long Creek Grady Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department
Activities

BACKGROUND: Mr. Bennett would like to provide an update to the BOCC regarding
activities of the Long Creek Grady Volunteer Fire Department



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Public Information for Pender County Commissioners

Mr. Chairman & Fellow County Commissioners,

It's an honor to come before you this afternoon to inform you that the Fire Department recently was rerated by the NC Office of State Fire Marshal's Office for our insurance rating. At the time of the inspection in April 2010 we were at the State & County Required Rating of 9S/9E, on June 28, 2010 the department was officially notified that we achieved a lower insurance rating of a "Class 6", with this new rating going into effect October 1, 2010. With this new rating, the fire department will be saving the homeowners on an average anywhere between \$250 to almost \$500 based on homes between \$100,000 to \$300,000 and also depending on the homeowners' policy and other variables. A Class "6" is the best available insurance rating for the homeowners, with a rating of 5 and lower benefiting businesses only. This rating applies to any insured home within 5 miles of the fire station. This rating is also "Across the Board" which means it's based on Water Shuttles and not fire hydrants, homeowners don't have to be within 1000' of a rated fire hydrant to enjoy this new rating. Now that the department has achieved this new rating, we now feel like we have a better selling point for adding a fire substation in the Blueberry Rd & Highway 421 area, a fire station in this area we feel is the best spot to ensure the new Pender Business Park is within the 5 mile district along with most all of the residential area up to our adjoining current insurance district. We are still searching hard & diligently for a site and funding options & opportunities for this project and we would greatly appreciate any help and/or support from the Commissioners in achieving this goal within the very near future. With adding that additional station we will save the citizens in that area even more money because they are in Rated Class 10 which means no protection. In closing I would like to thank all the dedicated and hardworking volunteers of LCGVFR, without them this new rating wouldn't have happened. I would also like to thank the following agencies; Rocky Point VFD, Burgaw VFD, Pender County EM/FMO, Pender County Water Dept, Pender County GIS, and Pender County 911.

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Shannon,

Based on a \$1500 deductible and a Homeowners policy with Farm Bureau that includes wind coverage, it would break down this way:

Coverage amount: \$100,000
Class 9E \$ 817.00
Class 6 \$ 605.00 (save \$212)

Coverage amount: \$200,000
Class 9E \$ 1393.00
Class 6 \$ 1031.00 (save \$362)

Coverage amount: \$300,000
Class 9E \$1917.00
Class 6 \$1418.00 (save \$499)

I hope this answers your question.

This is just an example of possible savings. Each individual policy can and will vary.

Thanks,

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