

RICHMOND-CAROLINA FIRE DISTRICT

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Annual Meeting
Monday, June 1, 2026 at 7:00 pm

Agenda

A CALL TO ORDER

B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

C ROLL CALL

D DETERMINATION OF A PRESENCE OF A QUORUM

E ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

This item is a status report for information only. No vote will take place on any matter raised in the report unless that matter is specifically listed below.

F NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CANDIDATES TO FILL VACANT POSITIONS

1. District Chief – Scott Barber – 3 year (2026 – 2029)

G OATHS OF OFFICE BY NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

H APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT

1. Treasurer’s Report for Fiscal Year ending

I APPROVAL OF BUDGET

1. Consideration and Adoption of Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027

J APPROVAL OF TAX RESOLUTION

1. Vote to provide for the Assessment of Property and Collection of Taxes

K OTHER BUSINESS

In Accordance with RI Gen. Laws § 42-46-6 (b) the Board of Directors may Review, Discuss and/or take Action on the following items:

L ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to RI Gen. Laws § 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting was posted on the Secretary of State’s website, Richmond Town Hall, Richmond-Carolina Fire District Station 1, and Richmond-Caroline Fire District Website on Select date.

Mathew Fortin
District Clerk

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RICHMOND-CAROLINA FIRE DISTRICT- FY27 OPERATING BUDGET

Expenses	FY24 Budget	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Budget	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Budget	FY26 Actuals (Thru 12/31/25)	FY27 Proposed Budget	Budget change
100 · Electricity	\$ 17,045	\$ 13,356	\$ 14,007	\$ 14,926	\$ 15,053	\$ 7,390	\$ 15,423	\$ 370
110 · Telephone/Cell Phones	\$ 7,300	\$ 6,442	\$ 6,637	\$ 9,216	\$ 7,085	\$ 4,739	\$ 8,645	\$ 1,560
111 · Internet/Cable	\$ 3,462	\$ 4,483	\$ 5,184	\$ 4,137	\$ 5,841	\$ 2,802	\$ 6,031	\$ 190
120 · Heat	\$ 16,800	\$ 29,521	\$ 18,800	\$ 31,138	\$ 21,200	\$ 10,202	\$ 25,000	\$ 3,800
130 · Insurance Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
130-01 · Property & Casualty Insurance	\$ 31,200	\$ 39,043	\$ 49,268	\$ 50,316	\$ 53,799	\$ 28,608	\$ 57,186	\$ 3,387
130-02 · Workers' Comp Insurance	\$ 850	\$ 1,593	\$ 891	\$ 1,090	\$ 891	\$ 957	\$ 891	\$ -
130-03 · Accident & Sickness Insurance	\$ 17,898	\$ 3,857	\$ 17,898	\$ 17,898	\$ 17,898	\$ -	\$ 17,898	\$ -
130-04 · Auto Insurance	\$ 17,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total 130 · Insurance Expenses	\$ 67,748	\$ 44,492	\$ 68,057	\$ 69,304	\$ 72,588	\$ 29,565	\$ 75,975	\$ 3,387
140 · Truck Fuel	\$ 17,500	\$ 6,578	\$ 17,500	\$ 9,196	\$ 17,500	\$ 3,886	\$ 17,500	\$ -
150 · Building Maintenance	\$ 7,000	\$ 23,131	\$ 9,500	\$ 33,341	\$ 12,000	\$ 21,412	\$ 12,000	\$ -
150-01 · Janitorial	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ 4,900	\$ 5,200	\$ 2,800	\$ 5,200	\$ -
150-02 · Dumpster	\$ 2,536	\$ 2,541	\$ 2,536	\$ 2,780	\$ 2,536	\$ 1,698	\$ 2,572	\$ 36
150-03 · Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 802	\$ -	\$ 905	\$ -	\$ -
Total 150 · Building Maintenance	\$ 17,236	\$ 30,873	\$ 17,236	\$ 41,823	\$ 19,736	\$ 26,815	\$ 19,772	\$ 36
154 · Building Fire Supression	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,332	\$ 2,263	\$ 3,085	\$ 2,263	\$ 692	\$ 2,263	\$ -
155 · Dispatch	\$ 18,000	\$ 16,749	\$ 17,496	\$ 21,705	\$ 19,966	\$ 5,335	\$ 23,000	\$ 3,034
160 · Fire Equipment	\$ 50,000	\$ 67,282	\$ 55,000	\$ 61,118	\$ 55,000	\$ 22,695	\$ 55,000	\$ -
190 Fire Training	\$ 5,500	\$ 4,917	\$ 5,500	\$ 6,370	\$ 5,500	\$ (894)	\$ 5,500	\$ -
200 · Fire Prevention	\$ 1,800	\$ 3,028	\$ 1,800	\$ 126	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -
210 · Communication Equip. Purchase	\$ 12,000	\$ 8,060	\$ 12,000	\$ 8,228	\$ 12,000	\$ 528	\$ 12,000	\$ -
211 Communication- Fire Alarm	\$ 3,100	\$ 3,908	\$ 2,200	\$ (2,475)	\$ 2,200	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,200	\$ -
215 · Computers	\$ 17,000	\$ 1,384	\$ 17,524	\$ 22,271	\$ 12,119	\$ -	\$ 13,000	\$ 881
220 · Truck Maintenance	\$ 35,000	\$ 38,349	\$ 35,000	\$ 41,131	\$ 38,000	\$ 65,153	\$ 42,000	\$ 4,000
260 · District Operations & Admin	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,263	\$ 1,500	\$ 17,814	\$ 2,418	\$ 822	\$ 2,418	\$ -
260-02 · Attorney Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ 330	\$ 1,000	\$ 225	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -
260-03 · Auditor Fees	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,750	\$ 10,750	\$ 11,250	\$ 11,250	\$ 11,500	\$ 250
260-04 · Tax Collection Expenses	\$ 7,391	\$ 7,268	\$ 7,572	\$ 7,480	\$ 7,572	\$ 9,505	\$ 9,655	\$ 2,083
260-05 · Payroll Services	\$ 2,536	\$ 1,325	\$ 2,263	\$ 3,468	\$ 2,263	\$ 1,787	\$ 2,643	\$ 380
Total 260 · District Operations & Admin	\$ 22,927	\$ 21,686	\$ 23,085	\$ 39,737	\$ 24,503	\$ 23,363	\$ 27,216	\$ 2,713
261 Tax Sale Expenses	\$ 500	\$ 20,424	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -
275 · Smoke & Plan Review Expenses	\$ -	\$ 12,868	\$ -	\$ 748	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
280 EMS Equipment & Training	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
340 · Personnel Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
340-01 · Stipends	\$ 98,000	\$ 97,789	\$ 98,000	\$ 102,453	\$ 80,000	\$ 43,183	\$ 75,000	\$ (5,000)
340-02 · Per Diem Pay	\$ 4,320	\$ 37,388	\$ 4,320	\$ 11,798	\$ 4,320	\$ 4,355	\$ 4,320	\$ -
340-03 VMO Full-Time Employee	\$ 49,920	\$ 12,480	\$ 49,920	\$ 40,063	\$ 56,160	\$ 45,083	\$ 61,156	\$ 4,996
340-04 Payroll Taxes	\$ 15,863	\$ 6,318	\$ 16,042	\$ 13,779	\$ 14,810	\$ 7,706	\$ 14,810	\$ (0)
340-05 VMO Full-Time Employee Benefits	\$ 20,924	\$ 8,872	\$ 20,924	\$ 27,013	\$ 53,473	\$ 32,496	\$ 63,098	\$ 9,625
Total 340 · Personnel Expense	\$ 189,027	\$ 162,846	\$ 189,206	\$ 195,106	\$ 208,763	\$ 132,823	\$ 218,384	\$ 9,621
350 · Member Incentive	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 891	\$ -	\$ -
350-01 · Call Pay	\$ 25,000	\$ 24,462	\$ 27,000	\$ 25,011	\$ 25,000	\$ 26,921	\$ 25,000	\$ -
Total 350 · Member Incentive	\$ 25,000	\$ 24,462	\$ 27,000	\$ 25,011	\$ 25,000	\$ 27,812	\$ 25,000	\$ -
355 · Membership Subscriptions	\$ 250	\$ 729	\$ 250	\$ 1,510	\$ 750	\$ -	\$ 750	\$ -
360 · Debt Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
360-01 · Chief's Truck Loan	\$ 7,224	\$ 7,224	\$ 7,224	\$ 7,224	\$ 3,010	\$ 2,994	\$ 13,000	\$ 9,990
360-02 · Truck Debt Expense (SMEAL)	\$ 51,557	\$ 53,907	\$ 51,557	\$ 53,907	\$ 53,907	\$ 53,907	\$ 53,907	\$ -
360-04 SCBAs Lease	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
360-05 Station 61 Loan	\$ 66,121	\$ 66,121	\$ 66,121	\$ 66,121	\$ 66,121	\$ -	\$ 66,121	\$ -
360-08 Tonye Pumper	\$ 47,750	\$ 47,750	\$ 47,750	\$ 47,750	\$ 47,750	\$ -	\$ 47,750	\$ -
360-09 Ford Brush Truck	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,846	\$ (804)	\$ 22,846	\$ -
Total 360 · Debt Services	\$ 172,652	\$ 175,002	\$ 172,652	\$ 175,002	\$ 193,634	\$ 56,098	\$ 203,624	\$ 9,990
400 · Capital Improvements Expense	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 2,140	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -
400-01 Truck Fund Reserve	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -
400-07 Tax Software (Vision 2.0)	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total 400 · Capital Improvements Expense	\$ 35,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 17,140	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ (170)	\$ -	\$ 334	\$ -	\$ (695)	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expense	\$ 737,048	\$ 713,600	\$ 743,898	\$ 795,887	\$ 770,701	\$ 422,309	\$ 810,283	\$ 39,583

Revenue	FY24 Budget	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Budget	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Proposed	FY26 Actuals	FY27 Proposed	
					Budget	(Thru 12/31/25)	Budget	
4000 - Fire Tax Income- Current Year	\$ 704,948	\$ 796,733	\$ 711,798	\$ 644,625	\$ 738,601	\$ 668,925	\$ 777,783	\$ 39,183
4000-01 - Penalty Paid	\$ 5,000	\$ 22,184	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,335	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,553	\$ 5,000	\$ -
4001 - Fire Tax Income- Prior Years	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ -
Total 4000 - Fire Tax Income	\$ 734,948	\$ 818,918	\$ 741,798	\$ 652,960	\$ 768,601	\$ 677,479	\$ 807,783	\$ 39,183
4010 Smoke & Plan Review Income	\$ 2,100	\$ 2,911	\$ 2,100	\$ 8,043	\$ 2,100	\$ 3,799	\$ 2,500	\$ 400
4020 - Hall Rental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4030 Tax Sale Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4050 Soda Machine	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4070 Grant Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4075 Interest Income	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4080 Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 2,024	\$ -	\$ 18,002	\$ -	\$ 457	\$ -	\$ -
4090 Other Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4095 Sale of Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ 737,048	\$ 823,854	\$ 743,898	\$ 679,005	\$ 770,701	\$ 681,735	\$ 810,283	\$ 39,583