MINUTES
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AD-HOC COMMITTEE
February 10, 2026

Present
J. Wes Wynne, Chairman
Chris Shoemaker, Vice Chairman
Ben Harris, Commissioner
David Klein, Commissioner
Curtis Williams, Citizen
Absent
Scotty Bush, Chief
Sam Thornton, Chief
Chris Edgerton, Chief
Henry DeGroot, Citizen

The Volunteer Fire Department Ad-Hoc Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Wynne at approximately 5:36 p.m. in conference room 112.

Invocation
Mr. Shoemaker provided the invocation.

Approval of Agenda
Motion made by Commissioner Klein, seconded by Mr. Williams, to accept the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Mr. Shoemaker, seconded by Mr. Williams, to accept the January 2026 Minutes. Motion passed with Commissioner Klein abstaining from the vote.

Recognition of the Public
None

Old Business

a. Funding Ideas for VFD's
This item was tabled until an appropriate time for discussion.

New Business

a. Study Session – CTAS
Chairman Wynne opened the discussion and allowed Mr. Marc Alley, CTAS Emergency/Fire Management Consultant, to give his presentation.

Mr. Alley began discussion with statistics for the State of Tennessee regarding availability of resources and lack of proper funding. He noted that Tennessee does not currently recognize Fire Services as an essential service. The presentation included models which Sumner County could follow allowing for improvement of the current Fire Services provided. Following his

presentation, the committee members were allowed to get clarification on different aspects of the models and funding ideas. After the committee's discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Klein, seconded by Mr. Shoemaker, to suspend the rules allowing the VFD Fire Chief's a chance to ask Mr. Alley questions. Motion passed unanimously. Further discussions ensued from the Fire Chief's present.

Chairman Wynne took the opportunity to remind the Chief's to provide the information regarding equipment for their respective stations.

When discussion from the audience concluded, Chairman Wynne called the meeting back into session.

Adjournment

With no more discussions, Chairman Wynne called for adjournment. Motion made by Commissioner Klein to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Shoemaker, at approximately 7:20 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.