

South Georgia Fire District

Prudential Committee
April 8th, 2026 Monthly Meeting
Done in person

DATE: April 8th, 2026

Prudential Committee Members and Officers: Eric Strong, Dave Westover, Allan Richard, Laurie St. Gelais, Ron Wensley

Officers: Cindy Mobbs

System Manager: Jeff Vance

Absent:

Public:

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Eric Strong

Roll call, 5 Board Members present

Eric asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the March 12th, 2026 meeting. Laurie St. Gelais made a motion and it was seconded by Alan Richard Voted and accepted by all Board members with 5 ayes. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Had our normal expenses
- All water bills mailed out.
- Paid the VT ANR water bill
- The finance reports can be viewed on the SGFD/WIX site under the finance tab.
- Eric asked for a motion to accept the treasures report.

A motion was made by Dave Westover and seconded by Laurie St. Gelais
Voted and accepted by all Board Members with 5 aye votes. Approved

System Manager's Report:

3/2/26 Get water sample and bring to the lab.

3/3/26 Post water sample on web site.

3/9/26 Post agenda to website

3/12/26 Meeting

3/13/26 Type up minutes, post all meeting material on website.

3/20/26 Work on CCR for 2026, Update website with new fees, and fee example. Reach out to Jeff Keller for link update for CCR and he updated the bill calculator.

3/22/26 Add April agenda to the website.

3/25/26 Read 190 house meters and inspect properties along the way.

3/25/26 Mark out 4 inch water main for customer on Red barn hill.

3/31/26 Read master meter for end of month and submit to ANR, Cindy, Jeff K. clear fallen limbs from roadway going to the pump station.

March Water test: Passed

March Water usage: 810,061 (detected leak at Ledgewood lane but it has not surfaced yet. Jeff will have a leak detection specialist come in to pin point the area of the leak)

Open Discussion:

Jeff Vance discussed with the board the upcoming projects this summer and the material list for this year's project, and he also included Ledgewood Lane in the discussion. Jeff explained that he did a leak detection on that street and could hear noise from water passing through the main valve that was partially open. He has ordered 21 saddles (9 for Ledgewood) and components for that project and also for Manor drive and Meadow ridge lane. This will complete the replacements of the bad saddles at Ledgewood lane. The rest of the components for the scheduled projects will be ordered in May.

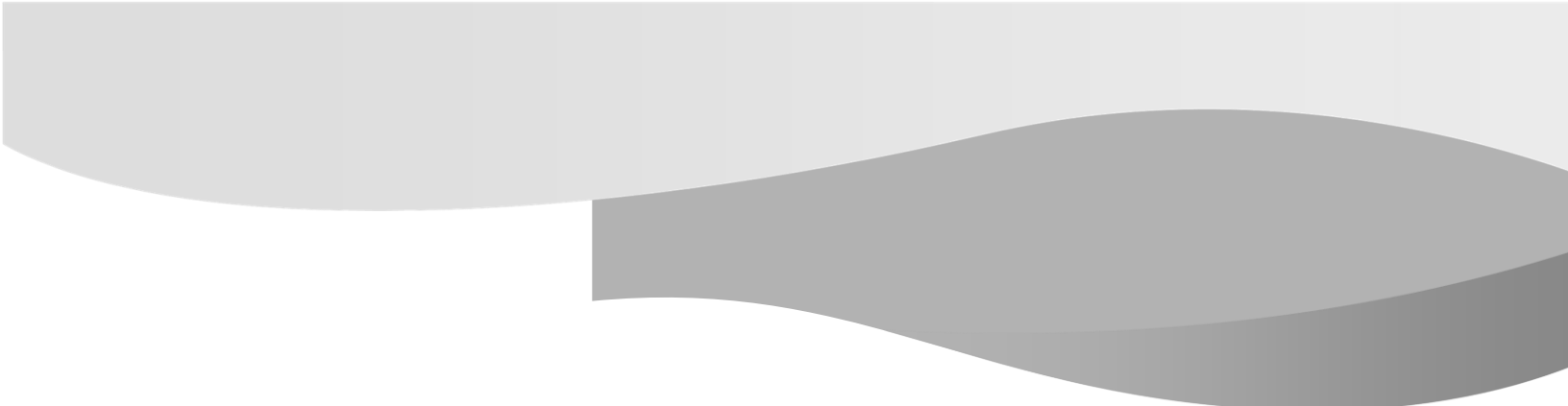
- 1) (2026) from route 7 to the tee intersection of Manor drive.
- 2) (2026 or 2027) Meadow Ridge lane from the intersection of Red Barn Hill road to the intersection of Heritage drive.

NOTE: The board will determine whether to move forward with Projects 1 and 2 after the repairs are completed at Ledgewood lane. Project 1 has a better chance of being completed then project 2 even being started.

Ron presented to the board documentation on money market interest rates options from East Rise Credit Union. Eric explained everything fully to the board. The interest rates @ 1.3% on our present money market #2 balance would yield the fire district 13 times more in interest paid to us than what we are making now with the Peoples Trust bank @ 0.10%. After lengthy talks, and with question needing to be asked of the credit union by Cindy, and answers needed before the next monthly meeting, the board decided to more forward with investigating moving Money Market #2 to the East Rise Credit Union.

A motion was made by David Westover and seconded by Alan Richards.
Voted and accepted by all board members with 5 aye votes. Approved

Eric discussed with the board the options of a line of credit with M&T bank. Eric explained that the options presented didn't look to interesting and we could consider looking into one with the Peoples trust or the East Rise credit Union. We will discuss further at the next meeting in May.



Eric asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Ron Wensley and seconded by Laurie St. Gelais.

Voted and accepted by all board members with 5 aye votes. Approved

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm
Respectfully submitted by Jeff Vance (acting Clerk)

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