



January 9, 2012

To: Mr. Brian K. Boland

From: Greg Lindley, Director of Fire Services

Re: FOI Request & Complaint

Mr. Boland this is an official response to your Freedom of Information request that you submitted on January 3rd, 2012. As we did discuss by phone on 01/04/12, you were going to submit a more detailed request for our office. I am also sending an official FOI request form for you to use for any further requests. We will take any request and respond to it within 15 working days. Also you did call me back on 01/09/12 in reference to more information. You also stated for me to delete your current FOI request. I have done so and will be waiting on a official FOI request from you.

Also I have taken your complaint about the Joerna staff vehicle. We are looking into your complaint.

Sincerely,

Greg Lindley
Director of Fire Services



January 25, 2012

To: Mr. Brian K. Boland

From: Greg Lindley, Director of Fire Services

Re: FOIA Request

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your request (01/18/12). You stated in your request that this is a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. If you will review the statute you will find that certain records are available to the public for inspection and copying during normal business hours. The following is our response to your requests.

1. **Organizational chart to include names, addresses, and position held from Columbia to the Joanna Fire Chief.** Our office does not possess an organizational chart that shows any type of chain of command from the state level down to the Joanna Fire Department.
2. **How many personnel at the Joanna Fire Department have the accreditations to respond to all types of situations? Who are they?** Since the Joanna Fire Department is an independently chartered fire department, our office does not possess individual training records of each member of the fire department. Each fire department is responsible for maintaining these records. Our office does have current rosters of the fire departments if you wish to come in and inspect those at a scheduled time.
3. **What are the minimum requirements for an individual to ride/drive the fire vehicles when they are responding to calls? (If this varies according to the type of calls responding to, please state those requirements. There is no minimum requirement for an individual to ride in a fire vehicle. The South Carolina law designates driver requirements is S.C. Law 56-1-135 (Designated driver for fire extinguishment, special endorsement, safety officers).**
4. **Who services routine/preventative maintenance for the vehicles assigned to the Laurens County Fire Service?** All of the vehicles in our fleet have routine maintenance and preventative maintenance done by our part-time fire service mechanic. Any major mechanical issues are bid out to service centers in compliance with the county's procurement policy.


Greg Lindley
Director of Fire Services

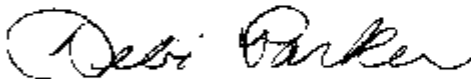
February 13, 2012

Enclosed, please find the requested FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) information regarding Ronnie G. (Greg) Lindley, Laurens County Director of Fire Services.

I have enclosed the most current job description for the Laurens County Director of Fire Services. The annual salary for the position of Laurens County Director of Fire Services is \$50495.00.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (864) 984-3691, Monday through Friday.

Respectfully,



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February 29, 2012

Mr. Brian K. Boland
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Dear Mr. Boland,

This is an official response to your complaints concerning the Joanna Fire Department's Chief's vehicle. First, let me thank you for your concern and citizenship for bringing this matter to my attention.

After our first meeting on 01/03/12, I passed along your concerns to my supervisor, Mr. Ernie Segars, County Administrator. I am aware that you met with Mr. Segars to discuss this issue on February 18th, 2012. I have spoken directly to Chief Plaxico about these complaints as well.

Since that time, the Board of Directors of the Joanna Fire Department has been made aware of your complaints as well. I have met one on one with the Board President, too. I have made recommendations to the Board and Chief Plaxico about the use of the vehicle. However, as each department is chartered and under contract with the County of Laurens; it is up to the Board of Directors to rule on this matter. The Board of Directors has sent a written response to me stating that they do not have a policy in place as to the use of the Chief's vehicle, and they do not see an issue with allowing the Chief to drive the vehicle as he is at this time.

Therefore, this matter will be considered closed pending any new information. Again, thank you for your concern.

Sincerely yours,

R. Greg Lindley
Director of Fire Services

cc: Laurens County Council
Mr. Ernie Segars