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NC Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshal Visits Hyde County

On Thursday, January 24th, Mike Causey, NC Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshal visited Hyde County making several stops including the Mattamuskeet Senior Center, the Swan Quarter Volunteer Fire Department, NC Farm Bureau and the Ponzer Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Causey presented checks to the Swan Quarter and Ponzer Volunteer Fire Departments for \$30,000 from the NC Fire Grants & Relief Fund program. The Volunteer Fire Department Fund was created to financially assist one of our greatest resources, our volunteer emergency personnel. Through dollar for dollar matching fund programs, the Department of Insurance assists fire departments to purchase related equipment and to make capital expenditures.

Hyde County matches the \$30,000 NC Fire Grants with up to \$10,000 in local funds to support all volunteer fire departments in the county. Last year all six volunteer fire departments participated and were awarded grant funds ranging from \$22,494 to \$30,000 and each were matched with local funds at a 3:1 ratio. A total of \$172,342 in grant awards were received across the six volunteer fire departments in Hyde County.



Pictured: Justin Gibbs, Hyde County Emergency Manager and Jeffrey Stotesberry, Swan Quarter VFD Fire Chief, accept NC Fire Grant funds from Mike Causey, NC Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshal.