

## STONE HOUSE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT & RESCUE SQUAD INC. 7814 Garner Drive, Manassas, Virginia 20109 (703) 369-5396

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Manassas, Virginia – Following an intense process of reflection and extensive discussions with key stakeholders, the members of the Stonewall Jackson Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad have voted and concluded the process to change the name of our department to the Stone House Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, effective October 21, 2021.

The Stone House, which is now our namesake and is located at the intersection of US Route 29 and State Route 234. This building is part of Station 11's historical first due and was also the site of the very first meeting of our board of directors. We chose this name to honor our founding members, who leveraged their life savings and mortgaged their homes, in some cases three times, to provide a desperately needed life safety service not yet funded by county government. We are grateful for their commitment, the sacrifices of their families, and the 50-year history of excellence in public service that is their legacy.

We would like to thank everyone who assisted us through this process with guidance and insights over the course of the last year. Our mission remains the same - protect and serve. And our commitment to this community remains unchanged. When you call, we will be there.

## About the Stone House Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad

The Stone House Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad has proudly served the residents, businesses and visitors of Prince William County since 1971. The Department's diverse and dedicated volunteers protect area of the County immediately to the north of the City of Manassas, including the Manassas National Battlefield. Last year, our station responded to over 4,700 calls per year and our membership provided just under 19,000 hours of service to the community.

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