19-3620. Same; operation of department; powers of governing body. The governing body shall have full direction and control over the operation of such district fire department. The governing body shall have the power to:

(1) Select regular employees, provide for their compensation and furnish quarters for such employees if deemed desirable;

(2) provide for the organization of volunteer members of such department and pay compensation to such members for fighting fires, responding to emergencies or attending meetings;

(3) provide special clothing and equipment for such employees and volunteers;

(4) insure such employees and volunteers against accidental death and injury in the performance of their duties;

(5) pay for the acquisition, installation or maintenance of one or more fire hydrants, or similar devices for fighting fires, including necessary equipment, services or supplies related thereto.

The acquisition, installation and maintenance shall be subject to the mutual agreement of the governing body of the fire district and the governing body of the rural water district which owns, operates or maintains the water line on which the fire hydrant, or other similar device for fighting fires, is to be installed; and

(6) do all things necessary or desirable to maintain and operate such department so as to furnish fire protection for the inhabitants of such district.

History: L. 1955, ch. 175, § 8; L. 2002, ch. 150, § 12; L. 2004, ch. 26, § 5; July 1.