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# Press Release

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### Camden County's Fire Station 19 Grand Opening

**Woodbine, GA – November 4, 2009:** On Sunday, November 1, 2009 a grand opening ribbon cutting ceremony was held at Camden County's newly erected Fire Station 19 at Dover Bluff. Chief Dennis Gailey, Director of Public Safety, opened the ceremony with welcoming remarks. *"Today we hope to become your neighbor and earn your confidence in providing emergency services for this community. The planning for this fire station began many years ago and that planning was boosted with generous contributions from the community to support the location and construction of the station. Over the years the project waffled a bit due to many factors. With the help of Mr. Howard and support of the county commissioners this project was put back on track and progress was made. This station design was based on existing fire stations tweaked with many lessons learned and those applied. We also wanted to build an*

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*economical station to fit the community aesthetics and have accommodations for future growth.”*

Among those thanked were Sanctuary Cove Development and the Henry Berrie Estate for their generous contributions. Also the Camden County Public Works Department has countless hours in the site work at the new station. Utilizing our own resources within the County certainly saved tens of thousands of dollars. Also, Harvey Amerson our Capital Improvement Coordinator and W. H. Gross Construction for their success.

Fire station 19 will staff 1 fire engine with 2 firefighters per day. The firefighters are trained in basic life support and do have an AED for patients that have suffered a cardiac arrest. The closest ambulance will be responding from our Waverly station, which the addition of that ambulance was phase 1 of this project. Depending on the type of emergency other county resources are dispatched to provide back-up just as the resources here will do for them.

*“We can all agree this fire station was a long time coming for this community. We are here now at your service and look forward to helping in any way,”* added Chief Gailey. Over 50 members of the community came out to support this grand opening and tour the new facility and its apparatus.

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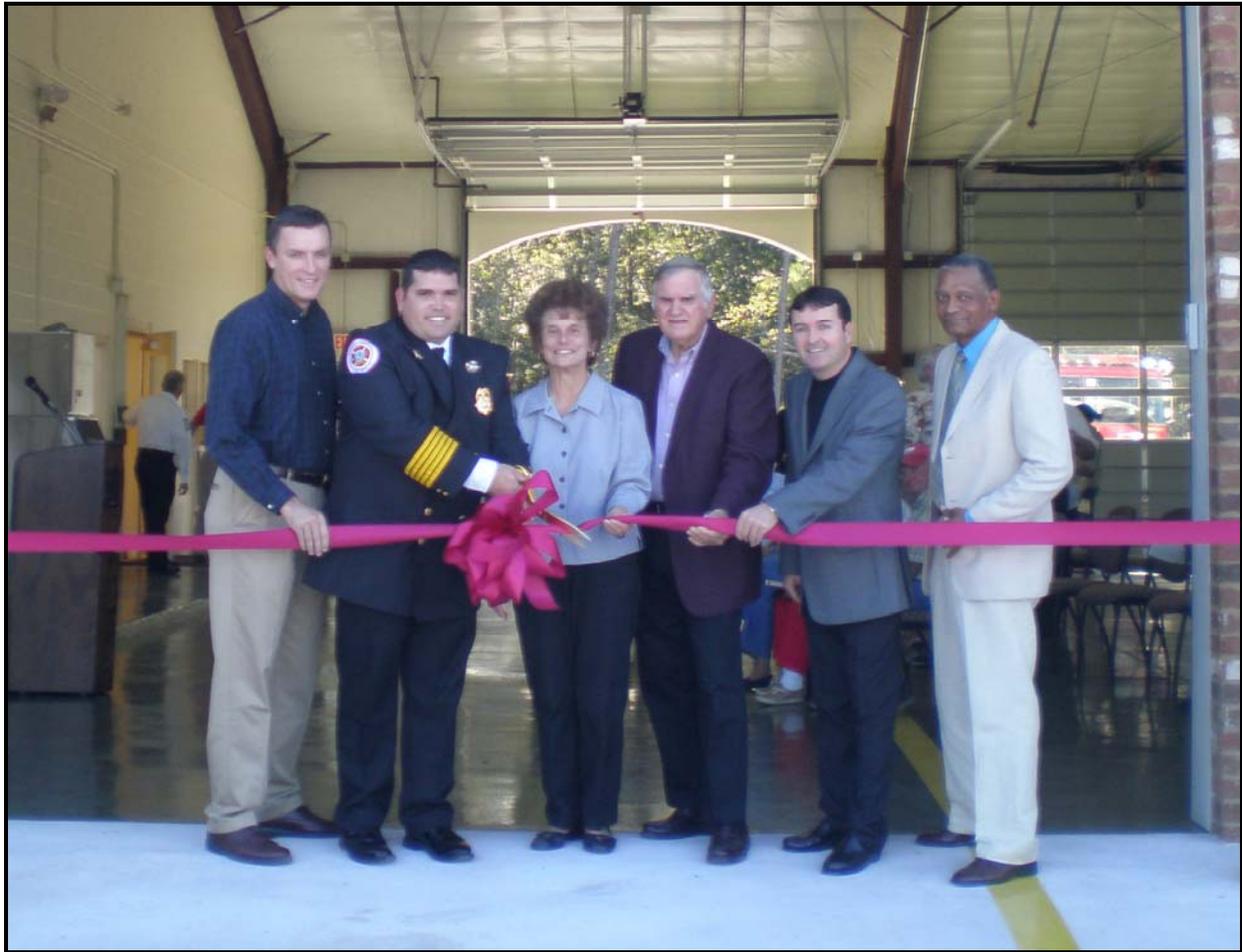
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(Pictured from left to right: Commissioner Chip Keene, Chief Dennis Gailey, Commissioner & Vice Chair Katherine Nisi Zell, Commissioner & Chair David L. Rainer, County Administrator Steve L. Howard, and former Commissioner Preston Rhodes)

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