

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE OKOLONA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

The regular monthly meeting of the Okolona Fire Protection District was called to order at 7:07 pm, on December 2, 1999, at 8501 Preston Hwy., Louisville, Ky. 40219. The following people were present:

Mr. Dorsey Powell, Chairman  
Mr. Mickey Raisor, Treasurer  
Mr. Ed Hogan, Secretary  
Mrs. Madonna Flood  
Mr. Joe Cissell  
Mr. Jack Ragan  
Mr. Joe Cissell  
Mr. Irvin Maze, Attorney for the District  
Col. Richard Carlson, Chief of the District  
Mrs. Judy Johnson, Fire Department Secretary

Visitors:       Capt. Billy Mattingly  
                  Sgt. Brad Nalley  
                  Sgt. Rob Sheffer

## I. ADMINISTRATION

The minutes of the November 4, 1999 meeting were presented for approval. Jack Ragan made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jerry Skinner seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

*IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the November 4, 1999 meeting were duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.*

## II. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING

The treasurer submitted his report for the month of November, 1999, which is summarized as follows:

<b>Beginning Balance</b> as of November 1, 1999.....	\$ 53,904.92
<b>Deposits</b> as of November 30, 1999.....	\$100,561.16
<b>Withdrawals</b> as of November 30, 1999.....	\$ 80,237.15
<b>Ending Balance</b> as of November 30, 1999.....	\$ 74,228.93

Jack Ragan made the motion to accept the report as presented. Jerry Skinner seconded. Joe Cissell inquired about the need for tinted windows in vehicles and the cellphone bill for Jim Arnold. Chief Carlson advised him that Jim Arnold was a firefighter who had left the

department and did not pay his cellphone bill that is under the fire district name.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. SCBA Financing**

We need to make get the loan for the SCBA equipment. We need \$156,000. National City Bank interest rate is 5.61 % with 15% down payment. Republic Bank is 5.83% and they require us to deposit \$50,000 in a money market account in their facility. Attorney Maze advised that we needed to take the best bid that was in the best interest of the district. National City has 3 locations in our district paying fire taxes. We have 50,000 budgeted for air packs. We can put \$30,000 down on the loan, retain the \$20,000 for future use if more bay doors are needed. Ed Hogan made the motion to take the loan with National City Bank. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to take a \$156,000 loan with National City Bank.***

### **2. Surplus Equipment Bids**

Last month we declared 2 lamps and a metal desk as surplus. We only received one bid on the lamps. Scott Shofner bid \$5 each for the lamps. The board accepted his bid.

### **3. Awards Dinner**

As information to the board, the annual awards dinner is scheduled for December 18, 1999, at 6:30 pm. The trustees are encouraged to attend.

### **4. Repairs to 8057 Transmission**

The repairs to 8057's transmission were completed and the final cost was less than the \$4,000 which was less than anticipated. The pressure plate and bearings were replaced as the requested by the board along with as many synchronizers as they could.

### **5. Apparatus Maintenance**

Trustee Cissell advised that we hired a career firefighter who could do a lot of the work on the apparatus that we are paying Fire & Specialty Equipment to do and he things he should be doing them. Chief Carlson advised that it is our goal to have him do as much as he can but he only works every third day and some days there a lot of interruptions. We usually need our apparatus back in service as quickly as possible.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Firefighter Probation**

Volunteer Firefighter Greg Price has completed his probationary period and is recommended to the board for final approval. Mickey Raisor made the motion to approve him. Ed Hogan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

### **2. Laptop Computers**

Chief Carlson advised that we have found that the one laptop computer is used quite a bit. In fact, its use is so common for so many things it hasn't been used for the original intended use. We would like for the board to consider purchasing one or two more. Joe Cissell made the motion to approve getting price quotes. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

### **3. Electronic Organizers**

The chief asked the board to consider purchasing 4 electronic organizers. One would be for the fire Marshall and one for each of the shift supervisors. The cost of approximately \$180 each. He has found them to be quite useful. Jack Ragan made the motion to purchase the organizers. Joe Cissell seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

### **4. Tampering**

We have been having a problem with tampering with equipment and other items. It has been some time since we had the building rekeyed and it is probably time that we do so again. We have checked with the locksmith and it is going to cost about \$800 to do so. Jerry Skinner made the motion to have the building rekeyed. Mickey Raisor seconded. Board approved with no opposition. Trustee Skinner advised that we should look into the cost for surveillance equipment. Ed Hogan to get prices.

### **5. Apparatus Replacement**

We have one pumper at station one which is a 1981 model. It was our first out unit for quite some time. This takes quite a toll on a unit. To replace a unit takes quite some time. To do the necessary research and specifications writing would take about 6 months. It would take about 2 more months to take sealed bids. It would take about 2 more months to research financing and then it would take about a year to receive the apparatus. All total it would take about 2 years. The board approved to start looking at apparatus.

**6. Miscellaneous**

A. Trustee Raisor asked Attorney Maze about his monthly statement that showed researching minutes. Attorney Maze advised this was for the pension litigation.

B. Trustee Cissell asked who paid for the legal compendiums that we receive. Attorney Maze advised the Jefferson County Trustee Association did.

C. There was a discussion on the proposed handbook changes.

The meeting went into executive session at 8:20 pm to discuss personnel matters. After returning to open session, motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ed Hogan, Secretary

ATTESTED:

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Dorsey Powell, Chairman