

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Okolona Fire Protection District came to order at 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 2, 2005, at 8501 Preston Highway, Louisville, Ky. 40219 with the following people present:

Mr. Dorsey Powell, Chairman
Mr. Jack Ragan, Treasurer
Mr. Kyle Brown, Secretary
Mr. Grey Vincent
Mrs. Sue Floyd
Mr. Troy Kerr
Mr. Irvin Maze, Attorney for the District
Col. Richard Carlson, Chief of the District
Mrs. Judy Johnson, Fire Department Secretary

Visitors: Firefighter Scott Adkins
Firefighter John Self
Captain Bill Schmidt
Mr. Allen Heath, Magnolia Fire Dept.
Mr. Norman heath, Magnolia Fire Dept.

I. ADMINISTRATION

The minutes of the May 5, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Jack Ragan made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Grey Vincent seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the May 5, 2005 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 May, 2005 which is summarized as follows:

Beginning Balance as of May 1, 2005.....	\$770,524.94
Deposits as of May 31, 2005.....	\$109,166.00
Withdrawals as of May 31, 2005.....	\$268,755.80
Ending Balance as of May 31, 2005.....	\$610,935.14

Grey Vincent made the motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Kyle Brown seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved the treasurer's report for the month of May, 2005 was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sale of Apparatus

The fire district is in the process of having two new pieces of apparatus constructed. They are due to arrive, probably in November. There are two old units that will become surplus. The Magnolia Fire Department has learned of this and is interested in purchasing these units. They have a current need. They have offered \$50,000 for both trucks. Chief Carlson advised that there may be other departments interested in the apparatus and perhaps we should take sealed bids and have a special meeting to open them. Kyle Brown asked if we had to take bids. Attorney Maze advised that we did not but that we certainly could. We are not under the model procurement code. He advised that we could dispose of the apparatus whatever way the board feels is in the best interest of the fire department and that there were several ways to handle: 1. Advertise and take bids. 2. Give property to a sister/governmental fire department. 3. Sell to a fire department so long they showed a need and the bid was a fair offer for the property.

Mike Portman joined the meeting at 7:12 PM.

Attorney Maze asked if the offer on the trucks was a fair offer. Chief Carlson advised that it was. After discussion, Kyle Brown made the motion to sell the two fire trucks to the Magnolia Fire Department for \$50,000 since they have demonstrated a need and have offered a fair price for the trucks. Sue Floyd seconded the motion. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board declare the units surplus and approved selling unit 8034 & 8037 to the Magnolia Fire Department for \$50,000.

Attorney Maze advised the Magnolia Department that they must show proof of insurance on both apparatus before the transfer is made.

B. Computer Equipment

We have the immediate need to replace one computer that isn't working. It is not cost effective to have repaired due to age. We also have two other computers that are getting quite a bit of age on them and are beginning to show it. We request to purchase 3 new computers at a cost of \$1,135.65 each. Grey Vincent made the motion to purchase the 3 computers. Mike Portman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions approval was given to purchase 3 new computers at a total cost of \$3,406.95.

C. School Requests

Mike Allendorf as requested board approval to attend a University of Cincinnati class at a cost of \$700 plus books.

Troy Kerr has requested to attend a fire investigation III class at state fire school. Total cost for meals and registration is \$375.

Jack Ragan made the motion to approve both school requests. Mike Portman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motion to approve two school requests at a cost of \$1075 plus books.

D. A D & D Policy

One of our accident death & disability policies is up for renewal. It is a 3 years policy. The renewal cost is \$4,142.56 per year. There are a couple of upgrades ranging in cost from \$4700 upward. Kyle Brown made the motion to stay with the same coverage we now have. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to renew the current plan with Underwriters at a cost of \$4,142.56 per year for 3 years.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Retention Program

Last month we discussed and approved the retention/incentive program. The board needs to make a determination if this is a benefit or a salary matter. The Black Mudd merger plan said if something is considered a benefit everybody would get it. If it is considered a salary matter it is as of 07/01/03. Trustee Ragan has looked into it and if it is a money item and taxes have to be paid on it then it is a salary item. If it does not include money then it is a benefit. Kyle Brown made the motion that we stop referring to Black Mudd and Okolona and that the retention program go as presented. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

John Self has requested to be heard by the board regarding his prior service. He feels the board should include his prior service in the incentive program. He advised that he is trying to build his salary high 3 years for CERS. Chief Carlson advised that the by-laws state that after a member is gone over 90 days he loosing all seniority if he returns.

Chairman Powell advised the board that the by-laws are quite clear and without a by-law change his time will remain what it is today.

B. Hiring Report

The hiring committee has recommendations for the 1 full time firefighter and 2 part time firefighter position. Kyle Brown advised that the committee recommends Adam Lucas for the full time position with Jenny Gerding as the alternate. The committee recommends Chad Esser and Jenny Gerding for the part time firefighter positions. Chairman Powell asked if it had been posted at all the stations that we were taking applications. Chief advised that it had been posted at all 3 of our stations and at Edgewood. Grey Vincent made the motion to accept the committee's recommendation. Mike Portman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to hire Adam Lucas as a full time firefighter and Jenny Gerding and Chad Esser as part-time firefighters. They will start on or about July 1, 2005.

C. Trustee Election

Kyle Brown advised the board that we have two nominations for the firefighter trustee position, Cary Luker and Troy Kerr. A letter has been mailed to each firefighter advising them of the candidates and the date & time of the election. Kyle, Jack Ragan and Mike Portman are the election committee and they will be present during the election.

There being no further matters to come before the board of trustees, of the Okolona Fire Protection District, motion to adjourn was made by Grey Vincent, seconded by Jack Ragan and approved with no opposition. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Brown, Secretary

Attested:

Dorsey Powell, Chairman

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