

# 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 P.M. at 8501 Preston Highway, Louisville, Ky. 40219 on Thursday, May 5, 2005 with the following people present:

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

Visitors: Asst. Chief Chris Gosnell  
Mr. Dave Goldsmith, Ky. Regional Fire  
Training Academy  
Mr. Bill Fritsch, Ky. Regional Fire Training  
Academy

Chairman Powell appointed Sue Floyd to be acting secretary in the absence of secretary Kyle Brown.

## I. ADMINISTRATION

The minutes of the April 1, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Dorsey Powell made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Troy Kerr seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

*IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the April 1, 2006 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 April, 2005 which are summarized as follows:

<b>Beginning Balance</b> as of April 1, 2005.....	\$1,050,216.50
<b>Deposits</b> as of April 30, 2005.....	\$ 97,978.50
<b>Withdrawals</b> as of April 30, 2005.....	\$ 377,670.06
<b>Ending Balance</b> as of April 30, 2005.....	\$ 770,524.94

Grey Vincent made the motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Troy Kerr seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

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

### **III. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Training Academy**

Mr. Dave Goldsmith & Mr. Bill Fritch from the Jefferson County Fire Training Academy were in attendance to give an overview of the Academy. They advised the board that their board had approved Okolona's proposal for joining. Trustee Ragan asked how the Academy did the maintenance and improvements. Mr. Fritch advised that the Academy had an annual budget and the money from the annual fees was their revenue.

#### **B. Hiring**

The hiring process should begin so the new fulltime firefighter can be selected at the June meeting with a July 1 start date. We will need to take applications for 1 full-time firefighter and 2 part-time firefighters. Chief Carlson asked if we would want to put the application process out to other departments? The board advised that they would rather wait and see how many applications we received from within.

#### **C. Length of Service Incentive**

Chief Carlson had recently sent the board a new length of service incentive program for the firefighters. A copy of the proposal is attached to these minutes. Trustee Floyd stated that she did not think the length of service incentive proposal was fair to the Black Mudd firefighters. After further discussion, Jack Ragan made the motion to accept the incentive plans as proposed. Troy Kerr seconded. Attorney Maze advised that this is a one year expenditure if it is passed. If a member leaves before June 30 of the year he will get nothing. There will be no prorating. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved the new length of service incentive program for firefighters & employees.***

#### **D. Merger Update**

The time for the signing of the merger order by the Mayor is May 19, 2005 at 1:00 PM at the Mayor's office. Sue Floyd asked if the Edgewood people would come in with no seniority like the Black Mudd people did? Chief Carlson advised that was correct.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. Budget Proposal 2005-2006 Fiscal Year**

The budget for the 2005-06 fiscal year was presented to the board for approval along with a revised salary chart for the career firefighters. Chief advised that in order to bring the salary scale closer to the average for the county fire service we had to change our plan to hire two fulltime firefighters and only hire one at this time. Jack Ragan made the motion to approve the budget proposal and revised salary chart as proposed. Grey Vincent seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

##### **B. Crusade for Children**

The chief requests board approval to spend up to \$1,200 for Safety Lime/Yellow T-shirts to be worn by those participating in Crusade for Children collections. There is a new Metro ordinance that requires persons doing charitable solicitations to clearly note the cause for which they are collecting. This would also provide for greater visibility of our crusade workers. Sue Floyd made the motion to purchase the shirts. Troy Kerr seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions approval was given to spend \$1,200 to purchase lime yellow t-shirts for the people collecting for Crusade for Children.***

There being no further matters to come before the board of trustees of the Okolona Fire Protection District, Grey Vincent made the motion to adjourn. Sue Floyd seconded. Board approved with no opposition and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sue Floyd  
Acting Secretary

ATTESTED:

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Dorsey Powell  
Chairman