

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, January 6, 2006, 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. Troy Kerr
Mr. Mike Portman, arrived late
Mr. Irvin Maze, Attorney for the District
Col. Richard Carlson, Chief of the District
Mrs. Judy Johnson, Fire Department Secretary

Visitors: Firefighter Scott Adkins

I. ADMINISTRATION

The minutes of the December 1, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Jack Ragan made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Troy Kerr seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the December 1, 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 December, 2005 which is summarized as follows:

Beginning Balance as of December 1, 2005.....	\$ 245,672.31
Deposits as of December 31, 2005.....	\$1,337,241.17
Withdrawals as of December 31, 2005.....	\$ 496,401.74
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2005.....	\$1,086,511.74

Kyle Brown made the motion to accept 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 December, 2005 was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Sale of Old Fire Apparatus

Scott Adkins advised the board that we had received 1 bid on the sale of Unit 8053. The bid from Joey Mudd was opened. Joey bid \$1000. There are a number of things needing repair on this unit and this along with its age has resulted in only 1 bid. After discussion, Kyle Brown made the motion to sell the unit to Joey Mudd for \$1,000. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved selling unit 8053 to Joey Mudd for \$1,000.

B. Computer Server

At the last meeting, we advised that our computer server needs to be replaced. It is old and we are exceeding its limits, causing failures. We have obtained a price quote from Dell, which has a government contract, for a server that we feel best suits our needs. The price is \$4,244.40. We will also need to consider contracting services from someone to do the initial setup. We have minimal computer network knowledge. An estimate for this would be \$1,000. Jack Ragan made the motion to purchase the server and hire someone to do the setup. Kyle Brown seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

Mike Portman joined the meeting.

C. Little League Check

The Okolona Little League wrote a check for a donation to the fireman's fund. They made the check out to the Okolona Fire District. Attorney Maze advised to send them the check and ask them to write in fireman's fund or issue a new check. Jack Ragan said that he would handle having this done.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Career Employee Health Insurance

The fire district participates in a group health insurance plan through the county fire trustees association. The group plan has led us to having the lowest rates possible. The plan is up for renewal in March. The agent has said that there will be approximately an 8% increase in the cost. The association will be voting on the plan at their next meeting on January 19. Kyle Brown made the motion to stay with the Anthem health plan we now have and to give the trustee association this recommendation from Okolona. Troy Kerr seconded. Board approved.

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IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved keeping the Anthem health insurance plan we now have for another year.

B. Fire Hose

In October, the board approved the purchase of fire hose for the new apparatus. At that time we did not know how much other hose was needed. We now know that information. The following hose is needed: 19 section of 1-3/4", 12 sections of 2-1/2" and 5 sections of 3".

Price Quotes:	Rawhide Fire Hose:	\$4,700.00
	General Rubber:	\$4,281.00
	Safety USA:	\$3,335.97

Mike Portman made the motion to purchase the hose from Safety USA. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved purchasing fire hose from Safety USA at a cost of \$3,335.97.

C. College Class Requests

Mike Allendorf is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Fire Science at the University of Cincinnati distance learning. He's requesting one class in Analytical Approach to Fire Protection at a cost of \$1,295 including books.

Ed Dunagan is pursuing an Associate's degree in Fire Science at Jefferson Technical College. He has requested to take one class in Biology at a cost of \$370.10.

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

D. Facility Improvements – Station 1

Station One has a vehicle exhaust removal system. Each apparatus is custom fit to the system because locations are different on each unit. We need to make a couple of changes in the system due to the new apparatus and apparatus changes. R.E. Osborne Company has submitted a quote of \$5, 591 to make the changes. Jack Ragan made the motion to approve the changes. Troy Kerr seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to have R.E. Osborne Co. make the vehicle exhaust removal changes at a cost of \$5,591.

E. Fire Pager Purchase

We need to replace five fire pagers that are damaged beyond repair or are out of the warranty period. After a pager is out of warranty it begins to have problems and needs frequent repairs. After the fourth instance, we could have paid for a new pager. We have price quotes as follows:

B& J Two Way:	\$2,780
Chief Supply	\$2,755
Radio Communications	\$2,565

Troy Kerr made the motion to purchase the pagers from Radio Communications. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions approval was given to purchase 5 new fire pagers from Radio Communications at a cost of \$2,565.

F. Station 3 Cell Tower

The cellular telephone tower, owned by the fire district, currently has Cingular and T-Mobile antenna equipment on it. Alaska Native Broadband has contacted us about leasing the tower for their equipment. Their lease will be for \$1,200. Attorney Maze reviewed their lease agreement and presented them some changes. Attorney Maze advised that they made the changes with the exception of one item in Paragraph 15. This should read that any assignment and subleasing is subject to the approval of the lessor. Mike Portman made the motion to approve the lease with the correction noted by Attorney Maze. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved signing the lease agreement with Alaska Native Broadband with the correction noted by Attorney Maze.

G. NEW RECRUIT

Kyle Brown asked the board to approve Paul Amshoff to begin his probationary period as a volunteer firefighter for station 1. He is a career firefighter for Camp Taylor. Kyle made the motion to approve his starting probation. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

There being no further matters to come before the board of trustees, of the Okolona Fire Protection District, Mike Portman made the motion to adjourn. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kyle Brown, Secretary

ATTESTED:

Dorsey Powell, Chairman