

**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, May 4, 2006 at 8501 Preston Hwy., Louisville, Ky. 40219 with the following people present:

Mr. Jack Ragan, Treasurer
Mr. Kyle Brown, Secretary
Mr. Troy Kerr
Mr. Lonnie Thurman
Mr. Mike Portman, arrived at 7:09 PM
Mr. Irvin Maze, Attorney for the District
Col. Richard Carlson, Chief of the District
Mrs. Judy Johnson, Fire Department Secretary

Visitors: Mrs. Ellie Hicks

Due to the absence of Chairman Dorsey Powell, Troy Kerr will be acting chairman.

I. ADMINISTRATION

The minutes of the March 16, 2006 special meeting and the April 6, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Jack Ragan made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved both minutes as presented.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the March 16, 2006 special meeting and the April 6, 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, 2006 which is summarized as follows:

Beginning Balance as of April 1, 2006.....	\$637,056.29
Deposits as of April 30, 2006.....	\$136,381.82
Withdrawals as of April 30, 2006.....	\$308,289.60
Ending Balance as of April 30, 2006.....	\$465,148.52

Lonnie Thurman made the motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Kyle Brown seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the treasurer's report for the month of April, 2006 was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Hiring Committee Report

The board had requested, at the April meeting, that the hiring committee meet with the supervisors and review the applications again. The hiring committee advised that they had done so and it is their recommendation that Andrew Long be hired for the position. There are no alternates selected. Kyle Brown made the motion to accept the recommendation of the committee and hire Andrew Long. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition. Chief Carlson advised that there is a good possibility that there will be two more positions to fill August 1 and he suggested the board may want to compile a hiring list in the order that the committee would recommend the hiring. It was the decision of the board that with any further vacancies the application process will start from the beginning with new applications. Chief Carlson advised that he is making an evaluation form for the supervisors to fill out on applicants in the future. This may help the committee with their recommendation.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to hire Andrew Long to be a career full-time firefighter.

B. Federal Grant Expenditure

Board approval is requested to purchase decontamination equipment at a cost of \$4,784. This equipment is associated with the federal grant so the actual cost to the district is \$478. Lonnie Thurman made the motion to approve the purchase. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions approval was given to purchase the decontamination equipment at a cost to the district of \$478.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Training and Education Requests

The training bureau has submitted the following requests:

1. Roy Kline wishes to take a distance learning course "Community and the Fire Threat" at a cost of \$575.

2. James Casey & Bill Thomas have requested to attend a Survivair Repair class. Their work assignment is self-contained breathing apparatus maintenance. The cost is \$100.

3. The bureau requests to send up to four people to the annual state fire school in Lexington at a cost of \$900.

Jack Ragan made the motion to approve the above classes. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved the education requests at a total cost of \$1575.00

B. Budget

State law requires that we adopt a budget for the upcoming fiscal year no later than June 1 of each year. Chief Carlson submitted the proposed board. Jack Ragan advised the board that the chief has done a really good job of keeping within the budget. Motion was made by Jack Ragan, seconded by Lonnie Thurman to approve the proposed budget. See attached. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to accept the proposed budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2007.

C. Explorer Post

Troy Kerr advised the board that the Explorers are requesting \$90 to reactivate the post with 5 advisors and 5 explorers. Mike Portman made the motion to approve the request. Jack Ragan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to approve spending \$90 to reactivate the explorer post.

D. Miscellaneous

The election for property owner trustee will be June 24, 2006 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Attorney Maze will advertise the candidates and election. Trustee Brown will take care of preparing the ballots, etc.

Attorney Maze advised that Sue Floyd is not seeking reappointment to her appointed trustee position due to her job conflicting with our meeting dates.

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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 and adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Brown, Secretary

Attested:

Troy Kerr, Acting Chairman