

**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, at 8501 Preston Highway, Louisville, Ky. 40219 on November 1, 2007 with the following individuals present:

Mr. Ed Hogan, Acting Chairman  
Mr. Jack Ragan, Treasurer  
Mr. Troy Kerr, Secretary  
Mr. Cary Luker  
Mr. Mike Portman  
Mr. Jason McGregor, Attorney for the District  
Mrs. Rochelle Evans, Fire Department Secretary  
Kyle Brown, Acting Chief

Visitors:

Assistant Chief Chris Gosnell  
Firefighter Scott Shofner

**I. ADMINISTRATION**

The minutes of the October 4, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. Jack Ragan made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Cary Luker seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the October 4, 2007 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 October 2007 which is summarized as follows:

<b>Beginning Balance:</b> as of Oct. 1, 2007.....	\$ 214,756.39
<b>Deposits</b> as of Oct 1, 2007.....	\$ 269,539.40
<b>Withdrawals</b> as of Oct. 1, 2007.....	\$ 260,183.43
<b>Ending Balance</b> as of Oct. 31, 2007.....	\$ 224,112.36

Mike Portman made the motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Cary Luker seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the treasurer's report for the month of October 2007 was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

### **III. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Part Time Administrative Assistant**

Due to the absence of the Chief and the need to consult with Attorney Maze, the Chief requested this to be deferred until the December 2007 meeting. Acting Chairman Ed Hogan approved.

#### **B. Removal of Library signs**

Cary Luker asked for the removal of the library signs supporting the increase in taxes. He feels with us being a fire department we should not show our support either way, especially by placing these signs at all the stations. Cary Luker made the motion to remove the library signs at all stations. Mike Portman seconded. The board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved the removal of the library signs from all stations buildings. This was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM and went into executive session for personnel matters. The meeting reopened to the public at 7:55 p.m.

### **IV. New Business**

#### **A. Applicants for membership**

The following individuals were presented for membership with the Okolona Fire Protection District in a recruit status.

J. Gritton  
C. Morrow  
J. Lopez

The chief also presented a letter with his recommendations due to his absence. This letter was reviewed by all in attendance. After careful consideration on all applicants the following is the decision of the Board of Trustees:

J. Gritton: Approved to begin recruit status.  
C. Morrow: Denied; may reapply after one year  
J. Lopez: Denied; no opportunity for reapply

Trustees asked for a letter to be derived and sent declining their application and sent to all present and future applicants. Cary Luker made the motion to accept the above decision. Troy Kerr seconded. The board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved J. Gritton to begin recruit status and denied C. Morrow and J. Lopez for membership. This was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

## **B. Uniform Expense**

Sgt Keith Durbin, through memo, presented by Rochelle Evans to the chairman, asked for approval to purchase (in stock) fifty (50) pairs of uniform pants. The purchase order has been written and exceeds the Chief's limit of \$1000.00. Troy Kerr made the motion to approve the purchase of fifty (50) pairs of stocked item uniform pants. Cary Luker seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board approved the purchase of fifty (50) pairs of stocked item uniform pants. This was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

## **IV. Disciplinary Hearing**

Formal charges of insubordination have been brought against Firefighter Scott Shofner. Firefighter Scott Shofner waived his right to a formal hearing and agreed to the following offer to resolve the matter; the Board of Trustees offered him a plea of a twenty six (26) day suspension, spread out over one year, one suspension day per pay period, and a two (2) year probation period, this probation period is in effect from November 1, 2007 through November 1, 2009. Cary Luker made the motion to make effective Firefighter Scott Shofner will be suspended on a Twenty six (26) day suspension, spread out over one year, one suspension day per pay period, and a two (2) year probation period, this probation period is in effect from November 1, 2007 through November 1, 2009. Troy Kerr seconded. The board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the board made the motion to make effective Firefighter Scott Shofner will be suspended on a Twenty six (26) day suspension, spread out over one year, one suspension day per pay period, and a two (2) year probation period, this probation period is in effect from November 1, 2007 through November 1, 2009. This was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

There being no further matters to come before the board of trustees, of the Okolona Fire Protection District, motion to adjourn was made by Mike Portman and seconded by Troy Kerr at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Troy Kerr, Secretary

Attested:

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Ed Hogan, Acting Chairman