

**MINUTES OF THE OKOLONA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
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The regular monthly meeting, of the Okolona Fire Protection District, came to order at 7:00 PM, on Thursday, March 1, 2007, at 8501 Preston Hwy., Louisville, Ky. 40219 with the following people present:

Mr. Dorsey Powell, Chairman  
Mr. Kyle Brown, Secretary  
Mr. Ed Hogan  
Mr. Lonnie Thurman  
Mr. Troy Kerr, joined the meeting late  
Col. Richard Carlson, Chief of the District  
Mr. Jason McGregor, Attorney for the District  
Mrs. Judy Johnson, Fire Department Secretary

Visitors: Mr. Steve Siereveld, VFIS  
Ms. Michele Finke, ESIP  
Firefighter Todd Kraemer

**I. ADMININISTRATION**

The minutes of the February 1, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. Ed Hogan made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the February 1, 2007 meeting were duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

**II. FINANCE & ACCOUNTING**

Chairman Powell appointed Lonnie Thurman as acting treasurer in the absence of treasurer Jack Ragan.

The treasurer's report for the month of January, 2007 was presented for approval and is summarized as follows:

<b>Beginning Balance</b> as of January 1, 2007.....	\$332,201.32
<b>Deposits</b> as of January 31, 2007.....	\$1,495,202.68
<b>Withdrawals</b> as of January 31, 2007.....	\$1,328,569.78
<b>Ending Balance</b> as of January 31, 2007.....	\$498,634.22

Ed Hogan made the motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

The treasurer's report for the month of February was presented for approval and is summarized as follows:

<b>Beginning Balance</b> as of February 1, 2007.....	\$498,330.89
<b>Deposits</b> as of February 28, 2007.....	\$ 38,939.39
<b>Withdrawals</b> as of February 28, 2007.....	\$400,961.22
<b>Ending Balance</b> as of February 28, 2007.....	\$136,309.06

Ed Hogan made the motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to accept the January 2007 and February 2007 treasurer's reports as presented and make them a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.***

### **III. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Insurance Proposals**

We have received two proposals for our liability insurance, the current provider which is ESIP and VFIS which was our provider last year.

Kentucky Public Entity – VFIS - \$66,358.00. Bid includes tax & surcharge.  
Public Entity – ESIP - \$73,639.13. Bid includes tax & surcharge.

Kyle Brown made the motion to accept the bid proposal from Kentucky Public Entity – VFIS for \$66,358.00. Ed Hogan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to accept the proposal for insurance from Kentucky Public Entity – VFIS for an annual fee of \$66,358.***

#### **B. Sick Leave Changes**

The chief submitted the sick leave policy with the changes directed by the board. He requested board approval of the policy. Ed Hogan made the motion to approve the sick leave policy with changes. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motion to accept the revised sick leave policy as presented.***

Troy Kerr joined the meeting.

### **C. Unit 8036**

The local Seagrave dealer said that in his opinion unit 8035 is worth \$50,000. Camp Taylor Fire Protection District has made an offer of \$50,000 for the unit. Chief Carlson advised the board that there are members of the our department that feel we should not sell the unit. Chief Carlson feels, however, that it remains in the best interests of Okolona as well as fire protection for the general region, to sell the unit to Camp Taylor provided that the unit is sold for its full value. The unit is 10 years old and was purchased for \$200,000.

After lengthy discussion, Ed Hogan made the motion to sell the truck to Camp Taylor Fire Protection District for \$50,000. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Kyle Brown asked what went with the truck. Chief Carlson advised that only items permanently mounted to the truck would remain with the unit. Troy Kerr opposed the motion. Motion approved.

***IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to sell unit 8036 to Camp Taylor Fire Protection District for \$50,000.***

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Volunteer Member Probation**

Jeremy Tanzilla has completed his probation period and is recommended to the board for appointment as a permanent volunteer firefighter. Lonnie Thurman made the motion to accept him as a firefighter. Ed Hogan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

### **B. Career Employee Part Time Employment**

John Vickers, a career employee, has begun working part time, on his off days, for Mike Mudd. Mr. Mudd's company provides apparatus repairs to Okolona. John's assignment at Okolona is to oversee apparatus, including repairs. This may present a conflict of interest. The chief recommends the following. The determination to send any apparatus to Mike Mudd for repairs will no longer be made by John. When it becomes necessary to send apparatus out for repair, or for any other business transacted with Mike Mudd, a request will be communicated to the assistant chief overseeing purchasing for consideration. The assistant chief will then seek the chief's approval. This should remove John from any involvement in conducting fire department business with Mike Mudd. Ed Hogan made the motion to approved the chief's recommendation. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Chairman Powell stated that he had the utmost confidence in John Vickers and doubts that conflict of interest would be a problem. Board approved with no opposition.

The meeting went in to executive session to discuss matters of personnel on motion by Kyle Brown and second by Ed Hogan.

After returning to open session. Todd Kraemer had been terminated at the January meeting, for failure to maintain 50% of trainings and fire runs for the previous year. He came before the board to as to be reinstated. After hearing his position, Kyle Brown made the motion to reinstate Todd Kraemer as firefighter, with no loss of seniority, and a 6 month probationary period. His loss of time will be considered a leave of absence. Ed Hogan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

**C. Part-time Employee**

Kyle Brown advised the board that he and some chief officers had met with and interviewed the applicants for the part-time, on call position. The committee recommends hiring Jeffrey Kampschaefer. Ed Hogan made the motion to hire Jeffrey Kampschaefer for the part-time position. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

There being no further matters to come before the board of trustees, of the Okolona Fire Protection District, Ed Hogan made the motion to adjourn. Lonnie Thurman seconded. Board approved with no opposition and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kyle Brown, Secretary

Attested:

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Dorsey Powell, Chairman