

**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. April 1, 2010, at 8501 Preston Hwy., Louisville, Ky. 40219, with the following people present:

Mr. Dorsey Powell, Chairman
Mr. Kyle Brown, Treasurer
Mr. Cary Luker, Secretary
Mr. Mike Portman
Mr. Ed Hogan
Col. Richard Carlson, Chief of the District
Mr. Jason McGregor, Attorney for the District
Mrs. Judy Johnson, Fire Department Secretary

Visitors: Mr. Jeff Freeman, Attorney

I. ADMINISTRATION

The minutes of the March 4, 2010 meeting were presented for approval. Cary Luker made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mike Portman seconded. Board approved with no opposition

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the minutes of the March 4, 2010 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 March, 2010, which is summarized as follows:

Beginning Balance as of March 1, 2010.....	\$3,118,465.66
Deposits as if March 31, 2010.....	\$ 63,253.87
Withdrawals as of March 31, 2010.....	\$ 442,139.70
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2010.....	\$2,739,579.83

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

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions the treasurer’s report for the month of March, 2010 was duly approved and made a part of the permanent records of the Okolona Fire Protection District.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Budget

We have started work on a draft budget. However, we have not received any preliminary estimates on revenue from the PVA. That normally comes in mid-April. Personal property revenue isn't known until September. At this point, the budget is pretty much a continuation of the same budget with nothing new.

B. Health Insurance

The health insurance rates have gone up 26% or about \$9,929.59 per month. As noted in a previous communication, the retirement budget was higher than necessary and the over-budgeted amount can be applied to health insurance.

We have also started researching our own health insurance program, separate from the county group, should the county group dissolve.

We have found out that county group is making some changes in carrier, etc. and there should be some savings with that.

C. Sign

Trustee Portman asked if we had received the money for the sign for the front of station 1. Chief Carlson said he believes that we have received it. Mr. Portman asked if the sign had been ordered. Chief Carlson said that he will look into it.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Medical Evaluation Matter

A member recently underwent the department required medical evaluation. The cardiac stress test suggested an abnormality. The member underwent additional testing, only to discover the initial stress test was a false positive. The member's insurance paid for the additional testing, except for a \$553 deductible. The member has asked that the fire district reimburse him for the additional cost. Chief Carlson advised the board that there have been a number of false positives from Louisville Cardiology and they are checking their equipment to see if there has been a malfunction. We will be seeking their reimbursement from them if this is the case. Ed Hogan made the motion to reimburse the member the \$533.97 for his deductible. Any future reimbursement requests will be taken on a case by case basis. Mike Portman seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that after proper motions to reimburse the firefighter \$533.97 to cover the deductible for his medical testing. Any future reimbursement requests to be evaluation on a case by case basis.

2. Surplus Equipment

We have some compressed air cylinders used for the old SCBA bottle filling station that are no longer needed. It is recommended that they be declared surplus and advertised for sale. Ed Hogan made the motion to declare the cylinders surplus and advertise them for sale.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to declare the compressed air cylinders surplus and advertise them for sale.

Engine 8038 is a pumper unit at station 3. It has responded to a very few, if any fires in the past year or so. It is not necessary for reserve fire apparatus purposes, and thus really hasn't served any function other than draining the maintenance budget for repairs that are becoming more costly as time has gone along. It is recommended to declare the unit surplus and advertise for sale. The unit has no known safety issues at this time. Ed Hogan made the motion to declare the unit surplus. Cary Luker seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED after proper motions to declare unit 8038 surplus and advertise for sale.

Trustee Hogan asked the chief what his plans were for the funds from the sale of this unit. Chief advised that we would discuss that after we found out how much we are able to sell the unit for.

3. Career Promotion

Career Lieutenant Tim Eades has completed a probationary period, and is recommended by the chief to be promoted to captain. Cary Luker made the motion to approve his promotion. Ed Hogan seconded. Board approved with no opposition. Kyle Brown requested that the chief check on Firefighter Eades current pay rate.

Ed Hogan made the motion to go into executive session at 7:45 pm. Cary Luker seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

The meeting returned to open session at 8:05 pm with a motion by Mike Portman. Ed Hogan seconded. Board approved with no opposition.

Cary Luker made the motion to credit back 168 hours of vacation time to Firefighter Bob Gritton's that was used for sick time and charge it to his sick time due to just cause. Ed Hogan seconded the motion. Board approved with no opposition.

Chief Carlson & Dorsey Powell advised that they will contact Madonna Flood for a recommendation to be submitted to the Mayor to fill the appointed position of Jack Ragan.

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. Mike Portman seconded. Board approved with no opposition. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cary Luker
Secretary

Attested to:

Dorsey Powell
Chairman