

**BUECHEL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING  
OFFICIAL MINUTES  
APRIL 1, 2008**

Before the meeting Jerry Strange introduced Louis Straub from Chase Bank. Mr. Straub explained how our sweep account works, and how problems developed with the system. Mr. Straub stated we would be paid the back interest for December, January, February and March.

Chairman Jack Clark called the April 1, 2008, meeting to order at 5:38 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE**

Chairman Jack Clark  
Jerry Strange  
Andy Downes  
Kenneth Hill  
Robert Johnson  
Henry Ott  
Paul Sinclair

Chief Jonathon Yuodis  
Assistant Chief Rick Harrison  
Assistant Treasurer Johanna Gabhart  
Recording Secretary Myra Curry

The minutes of the March 4, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Andy Downes had a correction about the Banquet Committee was called the Banquet Crew. Kenny Hill made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Andy Downes. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Henry Ott made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as submitted, seconded by Paul Sinclair. Motion carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Jefferson County Fire Trustees Association meeting is April 18, 2008 at 7:00 P.M at the Pleasure Ridge Park Fire Department on Greenwood Road.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Committee Reports**

Building and Grounds Committee/Major Equipment Committee

Paul Sinclair reported the roof is still leaking and it is getting worse.

Budget Committee

Jerry Strange stated the committee is working on the budget and should have it to mail out to the board members by the middle of April so everyone will be able to review it and be ready to approve it at the May meeting. Discussion followed.

Andy Downes asked about getting a Safer Grant to hire three new full time firefighters. The grant would cover the first few years and then the District would be responsible for the salary cost afterwards. Chairman Clark will put Grants on the agenda. Discussion followed

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Personnel Committee

Henry Ott reported on the last draft for the drug testing policy. Discussion followed. Discussion followed. Chairman Clark stated traditionally the committee comes to the board with their recommendation, if a board member has a concern or a question it is taken into consideration. Chairman Clark stated the two firefighter representatives should receive a copy of the policy before it is given to the crew. Chairman Clark stated the policy will apply to the Board Members and we will arrange with the company come a little earlier to test the board members.

Henry Ott stated the buy-back program will be officially adopted next month. Discussion was also held concerning the tuition reimbursement program.

Steering Committee

No report.

LOSAP

Kenny Hill stated the bill has been paid in the amount of \$11,914.00.

Strategic Management Planning

No report.

Nominating Committee

Paul Sinclair stated the documents are ready to be sent to Terri Livers.

Training Academy

Chief Yuodis had no report. Paul Sinclair stated the flash simulator is in need of attention. Discussion followed.

Metro Safe and CAD System

Assistant Chief Harrison reported he talked to Debbie Fox about going back to station dispatch and they want us to stay on unit dispatch. Discussion followed.

EMS

Assistant Chief Harrison stated Squad 127 is leaving Buechel and we will have no ALS truck riding in the area and they are out of the Fern Creek area. Discussion followed.

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#### Ordinances

Assistant Chief Harrison stated he received an email from Chief Barth concerning an ordinance to deal with false fire alarms. If a false alarm is dispatched three times in a defined period they would be subject to a fine. Assistant Chief Harrison stated the Fire Inspectors are not in favor of the language and believe the businesses will take the systems out of buildings so they will not be fined. Discussion followed.

#### Explorer Post

Rick Harrison reported they finished Scout-A-Rama at Churchill Downes this past weekend and there were seven departments involved. In the female group, the Iron Firefighter award was won by Sara Schneider and seconded place was Brittany Kaufman, both of them from Buechel. Discussion followed.

Paul Sinclair stated several Explorers want to know about joining Okolona's Explorer Post where they are allowed to ride out on apparatus. Assistant Chief Harrison stated according to OSHA no one under the age of 18 can ride out on a truck and also the Fire Commission states they can not respond on runs. Discussion followed.

Chairman Clark reported House Bill 503 has died in the Appropriations Committee in the Senate. The Executive Board of the Jefferson County Trustees Association will have a meeting and this might be brought up in the next session. Discussion followed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Bob Johnson informed the Board he will be moving in the near future, and will have to leave the board.

Chairman Clark appointed Kenny Hill to a search committee and asked Paul Sinclair to serve on this committee. Discussion followed.

Assistant Chief Harrison stated he has a Fire Act Grant request for an apparatus for \$499,000. Our share of the grant would be \$49,900. He stated the FEMA Auditor informed us we need to keep on applying for grants because once we are approved for a grant we are more likely to get the subsequent grants. Discussion followed. Andy Downes made a motion to meet the financial requirements of the grant, seconded by Henry Ott. Motion carried.

Henry Ott made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 P.M., seconded by Andy Downes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Henry Ott, Secretary  
Buechel Fire Protection District

**NEXT MEETING MAY 6, 2008 AT 5:00 P.M.**