

BUECHEL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES
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MAY 6, 2008

Chairman Jack Clark called the May 6, 2008, meeting to order at 5:04 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

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

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

The minutes of the April 1, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Jerry Strange made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Kenny Hill. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Kenny Hill made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as submitted, seconded by Henry Ott. Motion carried. Chairman Clark asked about the credit card and the P.O. system as he was under the impression the credit card was only used for emergencies. Discussion followed. Chairman Clark asked the Budget Committee to come up with some type of system so we know about the purchases being made.

Andy Downes wanted to know if we could print the budget summary differently, as some items on the summary are not completely readable. Discussion followed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Yuodis announced the Crusade for Children is June 6th, 7th and 8th. All help will be greatly appreciated.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds Committee/Major Equipment Committee

Paul Sinclair reported the fence on the south side of the building is falling down where the wood has rotted. Also Unit 3735 had 2 new front tires and the roof on the maintenance building is leaking. He reported he is getting close to getting the roof fixed on the fire house and hopefully will get it done and paid for in this year's budget. Discussion followed concerning the fence.

Budget Committee

Jerry Strange explained the 2008-2009 budget. Henry Ott asked several questions about the budget. Discussion followed concerning a thermal imaging camera and extra money for training and equipment. Chairman Clark asked Paul Sinclair if we could wait one more year without totally redoing the floor and purchase the thermal imaging camera and anything left used to purchase helmets.

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Andy Downes made a motion to take the \$35,000 from the Building and Grounds budget and use \$10,000 to purchase a thermal imaging camera and the rest of the money for roof leaks, balance the budget shortfall and miscellaneous expenses, seconded by Kenny Hill. Paul Sinclair asked for \$8,000 for the fence, which was not ultimately included in the motion. A voice vote was taken. Hill – Yes; Downes – yes; Sinclair – no; Ott – yea; Strange – yes. There being 4 yeas and 1 no. Motion carried.

Andy Downes stated he does not believe we should hire the 3 new firefighters for \$21,000 a year. Discussion followed. Andy asked the Personnel Committee to look into an increase in salaries later. Discussion followed.

Andy Downes moved to adjust the Command Education budget by removing the Southeast Conference and only 1 person go to the Combination Fire Department Symposium for a total of \$3,000, seconded by Henry Ott. Discussion followed. Andy amended his motion to take out the Southeast Conference and keep the Chief and Assistant Chief going to the Combined Fire Department Symposium, Henry Ott amended his second. A voice vote was taken, Hill – yes; Downes – yes; Sinclair – yes; Ott – yes; Strange – yes. Motion carried.

Paul Sinclair asked why there is no money in the budget for fire prevention programs such as open house material and smoke detectors. Assistant Chief Harrison stated the budget committee wanted to know what he could do without this next year and we have quite a few NFPA pamphlets already on site. Discussion followed. Andy Downes made a motion to put \$1,000 back in Fire Prevention for smoke detectors, add \$2,000 in the Fuel Expense, seconded by Paul Sinclair. Discussion followed. Andy amended his motion to put \$1,000 back into Fire Prevention for materials and \$2,000 for fuel expenses, Paul amended his second. Motion carried.

Paul Sinclair stated under vehicle maintenance instead of the replacement of a vehicle maybe we could purchase a used or leased one. Chairman Clark stated Paul is Chairman of that committee so it would be left up to that committee to come up with recommendations. Discussion followed.

Paul Sinclair made a motion to approve the budget as amended, seconded by Henry Ott. A voice vote was taken. Hill – yes; Downes – no; Sinclair – yes; Ott – yes; Strange – yes. Four votes for and 1 opposed. Motion carried.

Personnel Committee

Henry Ott asked to go into Executive Session. Chairman Clark stated without objection we are now in Executive Session at 6:25 pm. Chief Yuodis, Assistant Chief Harrison, Assistant Treasurer Gabhart and Recording Secretary Curry were asked to leave the room.

Chairman Clark stated without objection we are out of Executive Session at 6:35 pm.

Henry Ott made a motion that in accordance with our department policy DP-0018 he directed that the Assistant Chief and Chief conduct an investigation on conduct of Paul Sloan regarding criminal charges and refer that matter to the Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees, seconded by Kenny Hill. Motion carried.

Chairman Clark had to leave and turned the meeting over to Vice Chairman Jerry Strange.

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Steering Committee

No report.

LOSAP

No report

Strategic Management Planning

No report.

Nominating Committee

Paul Sinclair stated there are three people interested in filling the term as firefighter representative. Letters will be going out to the firefighters.

Trustees Search

To fill the unexpired term of Property Owner Trustee, Bob Johnson's term, Paul Sinclair has three names but no resumes'.

Training Academy

No report.

Metro Safe and CAD System

No report.

EMS

No report.

Ordinances

No report.

Explorer Post

Rick Harrison reported we may be adding one new Explorer that attended training last week and she is suppose to be here this week. Also we are losing an Explorer, Brittany Kaufman, her dad accepted a job in Tennessee, and they were leaving today.

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Grants

Chief Yuodis is working on some narratives on proposals for grants. Assistant Chief Harrison stated the fire grant we applied for is being processed; also it will probably be August before we will hear if there is going to be another grant application process on the Governor's Health & Wellness Grant. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

Paul Sinclair stated one of our permanent part-time employees lost his 3 week old baby and the firefighters voted to give \$500 to help purchase a head stone. Jeffersontown is leading this endeavor and Buechel and McMahan Fire Districts have been invited to assist with the purchase and he would like for the board to match the \$500 from the firefighter's fund. Paul Sinclair made a motion for the board to give \$500 to Jeffersontown Fire District to help purchase a headstone, seconded by Andy Downes. Motion carried.

Paul Sinclair had a letter from Jake Barker. He has several arcade games and he would like to put in our recreation room. Half of the money that comes from these machines will be given to the firefighters fund and the other half to him. Paul read a contract where the fire department would not be held responsible for damages, maintenance or licensing. Discussion followed. Andy Downes stated he would like for the contract to state if anything is stolen the fire department would not be responsible. Discussion followed. Andy Downes made a motion to agree to the contract, seconded by Paul Sinclair. Motion carried.

Henry Ott, Chairman of the Personnel Committee advised the Board of disciplinary action taken by Assistant Chief Harrison and Capt. Wolfe concerning an explorer. (Details omitted since this involves a minor) Discussion followed. The Board members have upheld the disciplinary actions and denied a request for reduction made by the legal guardian of the Explorer

James Riggs came in and thanked the board for their support for the Mini-marathon. We had two firefighters that ran the mini-marathon and 1 that ran the full marathon.

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

Respectfully submitted,

G. Henry Ott, Secretary
Buechel Fire Protection District

NEXT MEETING JUNE 3, 2008 AT 5:00 P.M.