

Cornbelt Fire Protection District
Board of Trustees Meeting
August 4, 2010
7:00 pm

President Odle called the August 4, 2010 meeting of the Cornbelt Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 pm. Trustee Koller was absent. Trustees Bocox, Pike, Jeffers and Odle were present.

Public Participation: None

Trustee Bocox read a prepared statement related to a misconception of a statement made at the July 7, 2010 meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Pike asked that the minutes be adjusted to reflect that on Trustee Bocox's motion concerning promotion language, Trustee Pike voted NO with the remaining 4 trustees voting YES. Trustee Bocox made a motion to approve the minutes, reflecting the change, of July 7, 2010. Trustee Jeffers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: All yes. Koller absent.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bocox presented the treasurer report (attached). List of bills paid in July 2010 was submitted for approval. Trustee Pike motioned to approve the Treasurer report and payment of bills, Trustee Jeffers seconded. ROLL CALL: All yes. Koller absent.

Old Business:

A. Study Session for Staffing

- Trustee Bocox stated that there has been no action to date. A study session will be planned for September possibly on a Saturday morning. Notification will be sent when a date is set.

B. Reimbursement request for FFII:

- This item was placed on the agenda as a result of an e-mail received by the Board. The e-mail was about the 2 who went to Academy. The e-mail questioned whether training is important here and by hosting a FF II class here at Cornbelt and by spending a significant amount of money to cover the majority of the people here we are proving to the Department and to the people of our District that we take training very seriously. President Odle reiterated publicly that we have a policy in place for training requests. Anytime we have

outside training our policy is that you go and talk to the Chief. You follow that paperwork and he gives you a yes or no. In the past we have never supported FFII Academy. We as a Board have had discussions on this issue. Once again: follow the policy; go through the Chief and as long as the policy is met, the Board stands behind that decision. We are here to make sure the policies are followed and to support the Fire Chief and the Administration of this department. If there is not a policy, as stated, then whatever the Fire Chief verbally issues is the stand we will take for that issue. Unless the other Trustees have other motions or recommendations, I am against supporting reimbursement of the FFII Academy because the policy was followed that was in place.

Trustee Pike: That is why we were elected by the public...to make sure the policies are followed.

President Odle: We are proud of and appreciate the two firefighters who completed the Academy.

Trustee Jeffers: Agree with others, no reason for motion to reimburse.

New Business:

A. Property Expansion Discussion:

- Trustee Bocox: Brought up the possibility of pursuing the purchase of the parking lot located between Cornbelt and the Community Center parking lot for future expansion. Since there is no long range plan in place for expansion, Trustee Bocox brought it up to the Board as a matter of future planning. Trustee Bocox asked if this is something the Board would like to pursue. Trustee Pike asked for clarification of the parking lot and stated he is always up for a challenge. Trustee Pike made a motion that Trustee Bocox be allowed to investigate the purchase of the land east of the current station. President Odle seconded. ROLL CALL: All yes. Koller absent.

Chief's Report:

1. Calls ran to date: 482
2. FF II Training has started again after a break.
3. We are doing hose tests which is always popular.
4. Main Street is close to being done.
5. Barn Fire at 2490 CR 550E under the command of Asst. Chief John Harpst went very well on the fire scene. The water shuffle was outstanding. Mutual aid went extremely well and was very organized. We used 180,000 to 200,000 gallons of water.
A good job by all involved.
6. Truck committee – Lt. Richard Hungerford reported the committee had gone to Alexis to answer several questions they needed clarifications on. The truck is very impressive – pictures on the bulletin board. Very successful trip – time well spent. Chief stated

that the changes made so far amount to approximately \$5,000 difference in price but total is still under budget.

7. I'm Responding .com – Lt. John Cumbee presented information on this system. Handouts were given to each Trustee for review.

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm by Trustee Pike, seconded by Trustee Jeffers. ROLL CALL: All yes. Koller absent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Pike, Secretary