

**Cornbelt Fire Protection District
Board of Trustees Meeting
January 4, 2012
7:00 pm**

President Pike called the meeting of the Cornbelt Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 pm. Trustees Bonham, Jeffers, Jessup, Koller and Pike were present.

Agenda Modifications: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve meeting minutes of December 7, 2011; December 28, 2011; Motion was made by Tr Jeffers 2nd Tr Jessup. Discussion: December 7, 2012 Tr Jessup stated changes needed to clarify “New Business: A. Extending Captain and Lieutenants Appointments”. ROLL CALL: All Yes.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Jessup had distributed a December 31, 2011 report. Motion to approve Treasurer report by Tr Koller; Tr Bonham 2nd. ROLL CALL: All yes.

Public Comments: None

Trustee’s Comments: Tr Jessup complimented the Assistant Chiefs on their interim work. Tr Jeffers agreed as well s thanked Tr Bonham for the food served before the meeting. All Trustees concurred.

Old Business:

- A. **Update of Policy Committee:** The committee is in the process of re-formatting the current policies. The committee will meet again in January 12, 2012 to bring the documentation together. The committee will then make necessary changes and present the 1st update to the Board for additional review and possible changes.

- B. **Truck Committee Update:** Richard Hungerford, Mike Rogalla and Kelly Dillard present from the committee. The committee has identified 12 different companies that we know build or can build the apparatus we are interested in. A draft letter has been prepared to go out to different manufacturers requesting information on

apparatus they have delivered in Illinois and surround states with this certain specifics that we have already identified. We plan to go at some of them.

- C. **Fire Department Chaplain:** Discussion concerning a Chaplain for Cornbelt. The Assistant Chiefs have talked with the membership. Everyone is positive about the proposal. A committee consisting of Chris Coughil, David Parsons, Travis Molitor, John Cumbee and David Gandolfi will talk with other departments and assist the policy committee with developing a policy to encompass the chaplain position and duties.

New Business:

None

Chief's Report:

- Assistant Chief Zindars and Assistant Chief Elkins went to the EMS task force meeting in Arthur on December 19, 2011. The basis of that meeting is that almost all of Illinois is going to National Curriculum on EMT's. There is no EMT intermediate in National Curriculum. Therefore you will either have to be a Paramedic or a Basic. We are blessed with the agreement so it does not effect us.
- Assistant Chief Steve Elkins presented the incident report for December. We had 62 calls with 51 medicals or 82%.
- At the January 2, 2012 meeting the Firefighters elected their members at large for the Officer Selection Committee. That committee will consist of the 2 Assistant Chiefs, John Cumbee, Jim Rolson and Eric Bonham. The Captain's position was posted that night and applications will be accepted until Monday, January 16, 2012. We plan to have the interviews done by January 27 and a recommendation to the Board for their February 1, 2012 meeting. Immediately following this procedure, we will post the Lieutenant's position. There will be a 2 week window to accept applications, then conduct the interviews before the end of the month and have a recommendation to the Board for the March 7 meeting.
- The Paramedics are no longer signing in on their shifts. Larry Sapp has spoken with them concerning liability.
- The seat in 2201 has been repaired. It is in the body shop now.
- John Cumbee is getting estimates for 2 doors that need to be replaced.
- Thank you to Don Bonham for "new" furniture in office.
- Assistant Chief Zindars complimented firefighters for the "clean up" around the station and in the shed.
- We have new smoke detectors and CO detectors in the station.
- Assistant Chief Jimmy Zindars asked for up to \$800 to replace the vacuum cleaner.

- Assistant Chief Elkins asked to up to \$500 for the purchase of safety equipment to be used while operating the chain saw.
- Assistant Chief Elkins stated that Winter Fire College is coming up soon. The cost is \$60 per occupant. The Board agreed to send those who want to go. After discussion about the method of repair for each of the bids submitted,
- Tr Jessup made a motion to approve the Vacuum Expenditure @\$800; Winter Training @\$60 per occupant; and Chain saw safety equipment @\$500. .

Tr Jessup made a motion to go into closed session @7:44pm

- *“to discuss the appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees”*
- *Six month review of Closed Session Minutes.*

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President Pike declared the meeting back in regular session at 8:50 pm.

Tr Jessup made a motion to open the closed session minutes of June 6, 2007; March 5, 2008; and January 6, 2010 and to approve destruction of audio tapes from November 16, 2005; June 7, 2006; June 6, 2007; March 5, 2008; November 5, 2008; June 3, 2009; July 8, 2009; January 6, 2010. Tr. Bonham 2nd. ROLL CALL: All yes.

Tr Jessup made a motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Tr Koller 2nd, ROLL CALL: All Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

John Koller, Secretary

