

Minutes of **Allen-Clay Joint Fire District Trustees Meeting**  
Held on February 14, 2008

The Board of Trustees of the Allen-Clay Joint Fire District met in regular session on the above date at the Office of the Trustees, 3155 N. Genoa Clay Center Rd, Genoa, OH 43430

Vice-Chairman Jack Willard opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance & called the roll.

**Attendance:**

**Trustees:** Darryl Bittner, Don Hoeft, Jack Willard, Dan Johnson **Fire Chief:** Dennis Hartman **Fiscal Officer:** Chris Sheldon, **Others:** Gaylord Sheldon, Mark Stahl, Jeff Herman, Tim Tank, Mike Swisher, Jacob Greener, Michael Kersten, **Excused:** Scott Everhardt, Bruce Moritz, Don Murray, Sonia Eischen

**Approval of Previous Minutes** Minutes from the meeting held January 10, 2008 were read. Darryl Bittner made the motion, second by Don Hoeft, to approve minutes as amended. Motion carried.

**Public Concerns ( by order of signatures):** Gaylord Sheldon invited the Board and Fire Chiefs to Station #3's Ratless Rat Feed that will be held February 27..

**Fire Chief's Report:** Copy on file. Denny Hartman gave the Chief's report for Bruce Moritz, who was attending the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland for Line of Duty Death Training for our State L.O.D.D. Response Team.

Chief Hartman swore in Jacob Greener and Michael Kersten, who successfully passed their physicals and background checks.

Denny Hartman recommended three individuals for hiring. They are Kevin Chapman for Station #1 and John Cook and Mark Schneider for Station #3. **Don Hoeft made the motion**, second by Darryl Bittner, **to approve hiring Kevin Chapman, John Cook, and Mark Schneider as Volunteer Firefighter/EMTs** subject to successful completion of hiring requirements. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Denny Hartman presented the Year End Report that Chief Bruce Moritz put together.

**Deputy Chief's Report:** Copy on file. Denny Hartman reported that John Padley submitted a letter requesting an administrative leave of absence. **Darryl Bittner made the motion**, second by Jack Willard, **to approve a leave of absence for John Padley that will not exceed six (6) months.** This leave would have the stipulation that when or if Mr. Padley returns, he remains in the same phase of the attendance discipline cycle that he is currently in, i.e. the warning phase. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report:**

- The January financial statement was reviewed and signed.
- Genoa After Prom Committee has requested a donation. Last year the Fire District donated \$50.00.

**Darryl Bittner made the motion**, second by Don Hoeft, **to donate \$50.00**, the same as last year, **to the Genoa After Prom Committee.** All voted yes. Motion passed.

**Fire Board Trustees' Business & Reports:**

There was discussion about the cell tower. Denny Hartman explained what the contract from the Tower Company wanted to do. Alltel wants to give only \$200.00 a month rent for land to site the tower. There are other companies out there that are a better deal and will pay \$1,800.00 per month. **Dan Johnson made the motion**, second by Jack Willard, **to have Scott Everhardt proceed with negotiations with Alltel/MD7 for more favorable terms and income to provide land to site a cell tower.** All voted yes. Motion passed.

**Other Business**

Denny Hartman reported that he is still working on getting information about the roof repair for Station #1.

**Bills Presented for Payment:**

Bills from January, totaling \$83,355.28, were presented for payment. Jack Willard made the motion, second by Dan Johnson, to approve payment of bills. Motion carried.

With no further business to be brought before the Board, Dan Johnson made the motion, second by Don Hoeft, to adjourn. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine R. Sheldon

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