

Minutes of **Allen-Clay Joint Fire District Trustees Meeting**
Held on May 8, 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

Chairman Scott Everhardt opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance & called the roll.

Attendance:

Trustees: Darryl Bittner, Don Hoeft, Jack Willard, Scott Everhardt **Fire Chiefs:** Bruce Moritz, Dennis Hartman
Fiscal Officers: Don Murray, Sonia Eischen, **Others:** Lowell Hartman, Mark Stahl, Keith Snider,

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

Public Concerns (by order of signatures): Keith Snider reported that the members have been discussing ways to improve lifting cots up & down stairs.

Scott Everhardt broached the subject of beer at the Station #1 feather party. He suggested that the Association begins thinking about what they want to do. Keith asked for some clarifications. Opinions were offered. Liability continues to be a concern. The Chiefs will investigate the specifics of our insurance coverage. A policy decision will be made by the end of the summer after further review.

Fire Chief's Report: Copy on file.

The following firefighters have tendered their resignations: Jim Gray, Station #1 and Mike Beilstein, Station #3. Jim's job is demanding all his time & Mike is relocating to Fairfax, VA.

Chief Moritz asked the Board to consider investigating the benefit of joining with the villages and townships for bulk purchase of fuel. Perhaps all entities could realize a cost savings. The Board suggested that the Chiefs continue to research the associated costs & benefits.

Deputy Chief's Report: Copy on file.

Fiscal Officer's Report:

- The April financial statement was reviewed and signed.
- The Application for Real Property Tax Exemption for the SR 579 properties was delivered to the county auditor.
- Great Lakes Billing received year-to-date = \$68,130.27.
- We received a thank you for our contribution gift certificate to support the Ohio Rural Water Association auction. We are grouped with them for savings in our BWC coverage premiums.

Fire Board Trustees' Business & Reports:

Scott Everhardt discussed the pros and cons of using Penta County Vocational students to repair the roof at Station #1. We continue to seek quotes from vendors for comparison. The estimate from 5-Star Roofing is \$32,000 if the entire roof is replaced and \$16,000.00 if we just do the necessary repairs.

Scott Everhardt reviewed the most recent proposals from Alltel/MD7 for siting a communications tower on District property. The best current offer is \$63,000.00 cash payment for an initial 15 year term. He asked for opinions from the others. Darryl Bittner suggested \$120,000.00 cash payment. Don Hoeft agreed. Scott will present the counter offer along with revisiting co-location sharing fees if they add antennas to the tower.

Bills Presented for Payment:

Bills from April, totaling \$72,750.67, were presented for payment. Scott Everhardt made the motion, second by Jack Willard, to approve payment of bills. Motion carried.

Don Hoeft made the motion, second by Darryl Bittner, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sonia Eischen, Assistant Clerk

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