

Minutes of **Allen-Clay Joint Fire District Trustees Meeting**
Held on November 13, 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, Scott Everhardt, Don Hoeft, Jack Willard, **Fire Chiefs:** Bruce Moritz, Dennis Hartman

Others: Jeff Herman, Mike Swisher, Keith Snider, and Randy Miller, **Excused: Fiscal Officers:** Don Murray, Sonia Eischen,

Approval of Previous Minutes Minutes from the meeting of October 9, 2008 were read. Donald Hoeft made the motion, second by Darryl Bittner, to approve minutes as amended. Motion carried.

Public Concerns (by order of signatures):

Mike Swisher reported that the Engine Room floor is done being painted and looks nice. They have put in service 800' of 1 ¼ inch hose.

Keith Snider reported that the doors are painted and they look nice. Station #1's Feather Party will be this Saturday the 15th.

Randy Miller reported that Unit #336 would not start for a run today and they took it to Genoa Ford and it is there at this time. Not sure what is wrong with it..

Fire Chief's Report: Copy on file.

1. Jack Willard made a motion, seconded by Don Hoeft to hire Jay Traver as a Volunteer Firefighter/EMT at Station #3. All voted yes, motion passed.
2. Darryl Bittner made a motion, seconded by Scott Everhardt to increase the rates for the EMS billing to take effect January 1, 2009. All voted yes, motion passed.
3. Don Hoeft made a motion, seconded by Jack Willard to purchase 3 pagers for Medic 21 in the amount of \$1,500.00. All voted yes, motion passed.
4. Jack Willard made a motion, seconded by Darryl Bittner to pay \$1,749.00 to Mann Technologies to upgrade the computer systems. All voted yes, motion passed.
5. Don Hoeft made a motion, seconded by Darryl Bittner to accept the proposal for Workplace Resources to start in 2009 in the amount of \$1,998.00. All voted yes, motion passed.

Deputy Chief's Report: Copy on file.

Denny reported that Bill Poiry, President of Station #1, dropped off a letter that their Feather Party will be November 15 and that they have gone through all the training and what other steps they need to take for having alcohol at the Feather Party. See attached letter.

Fiscal Officer's Report:

- The October financial statement was reviewed and signed.

He reported that they are 83% through 2008 and that next years carry over will be a little less than this year. They have been hit hard this year with repairs and maintenance on the aging fleet. Fuel costs are coming down. They had a second meeting for the 2009 budget. Salary increases have been discussed. On November 5th, Chief Moritz, Chairman Everhardt and himself went to meet with the Ohio Township Association to discuss OPERS.

Fire Board Trustees' Business & Reports:

Scott Everhardt reported that he talked to Don and that he is at training in Columbus and he said he brought up at one of the meetings about the OPERS problem and there are lots of others that have fire departments in OPERS. Bruce

Moritz reported that at the Ohio Fire Chiefs Association it was brought up about the OPERS and that they are looking into the matter. They will be discussing this next month at the OFCAS Board meeting. Scott Everhardt stated that they went to the Ohio Township Association and that they listened to our problem and that they are going to take it to their Board this week.

Don Hoeft made a motion, seconded by Jack Willard to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina R. Sheldon, Assistant Fiscal Officer

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