

Minutes of **Allen-Clay Joint Fire District Trustees Meeting**
Held on July 30, 2009

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

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss replacement of the present millage for funding of Fire/EMS operations within the district.

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

Attendance:

Trustees: Darryl Bittner, Scott Everhardt, Lee Yackee, Jack Willard **Fire Chiefs:** Bruce Moritz, Dennis Hartman, **Fiscal Officer:** Sonia Eischen **Excused:** Don Murray, **Others:**

Discussion:

A work session was held earlier this month to review district facilities, equipment, and funding. A 5 mill tax levy to fund the district was passed in 2000. For the past 4 years, revenues have been stagnant or diminishing and expenses have increased. Purchase of needed equipment has been deferred because of the lack of finances.

In order to reverse this trend, discussion is whether or not to put a **replacement** levy on the November ballot to update revenues based on current property valuations.

Alternative funding avenues, such as an additional levy, were discussed and rejected. The board agreed that a 5 mill **replacement** levy is the appropriate channel that would have the least financial burden on the residents of the district.

If a replacement levy is passed, the original levy would expire. If the replacement levy is not passed, the original levy would continue as is.

**#2009-05 RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE
TEN MILL LIMITATION**

Rev. Code, Sec. 5705.19, .191, .192, .194, .21, .26

The Board of Fire District Trustees of Allen-Clay Joint Fire District, Ottawa County, Ohio, met in Special

Session on the 30th day of July, 2009, at the office of the Trustees, Administrative Headquarters, with the following members present:

Scott Everhardt

John (Jack) Willard

Darryl Bittner

Lee Yackee

Mr. Darryl Bittner moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation will be insufficient to

provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of said Allen-Clay Joint Fire District, Ottawa County, Ohio;
therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Allen-Clay Joint Fire District, Ottawa County, Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Allen-Clay Joint Fire District for the purpose of pursuant to O.R.C. Section 5705.19 (I), providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time, or volunteer fire fighters or fire-fighting companies to operate the same, including the payment of the firemen employer’s contribution required under section 742.34 of the Revised Code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire-fighting company; at a rate not exceeding 5.0 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$0.50 for each one hundred dollars of valuation for **a replacement of tax of 5.0 mills** for a continuing period commencing in tax year 2010, and first due in calendar year 2010 and thereafter

RESOLVED, That the question of levying additional taxes be submitted to the electors of said Allen-Clay Joint Fire District on the 3rd day of November, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said levy be placed upon the tax list of the current year after the February settlement next succeeding the election, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Fiscal Officer of this Board of Fire District Trustees be and (s)he is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections, Ottawa County, Ohio, prior to the 75th day before the election in November 2009 to be voted in the election of November 3, 2009, and notify said Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

Mr. John (Jack) Willard seconded the Motion and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

- Mr. Scott Everhardt _____, yes
- Mr. John (Jack) Willard _____, yes
- Mr. Darryl Bittner _____, yes
- Mr. Lee Yackee _____, yes

Adopted the 30th day of July, 2009

Sonia Eischen, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Allen-Clay Joint Fire District,
Ottawa County, Ohio

Jack Willard made the motion, second by Scott Everhardt, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

_____, Chairman

Sonia Eischen, Assistant Clerk