

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**March, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Williamson County Fire Protection District was held on March 11, 2008 at Station Three. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the President Pro Tem, Steve Land.

Trustees present were as follows: Fred Becker, Terry Pike, Allan McCabe and Steve Land and Don Smith.

A motion was made by Allan McCabe to approve the agenda. Fred Becker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Fred Becker to approve the minutes of the February 2008 Regular Board Meeting. Allan McCabe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A Treasurer's Report was given by Fred Becker listing the following balances on February 29, 2008:

\$ 4,073.90	General Fund Checking Account	Herrin Security Bank
\$ 225,000.00	Deposits (On Equipment)	
\$ 29,172.49	Prepaid Insurance	
\$ 107,503.60	Illinois Fund Prime Account	General Fund
\$ 68,000.00	Certificate of Deposit	Herrin Security Bank
\$ 392,203.20	Illinois Funds	General Fund

Total Current Assets:

\$825,953.19

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Terry Pike. Allan McCabe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The 911 Communications Grant was tabled until the next regular board meeting.

Chief Swiatkowski reported to the board that he would be attending a Village of Creal Springs board meeting on March 17, 2008 regarding Station Seven.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Fred Becker and seconded by Allan McCabe to pay the expenses. The motion carried.

The board approved payment for Fire College, May 29, 2008 through June 1, 2008. Also Fire Apparatus Engineer, a 64 hour course, for Ben Wilson and Jason Sheraden, and Explorer Cadet Fire School for two junior firefighters.

The board agreed with Chief Swiatkowski's request to apply for the 2008 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG/FEMA Grant) for Extrication Equipment at \$33,192.00, Large Diameter Hose at \$12,075.00 and a Type Six Wildland Engine at \$123,682.00.

# **WILLIAMSON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Chief's Report for: February 2008**

## **Firefighters responded to: (21) Twenty-one Calls**

1. 1 - Structure
2. 1 - Cooking Stove
3. 1 - Wood Burner
4. 2 - Field
5. 1 - Vehicle Roll Over, Cancelled in Route
6. 2 - Mutual Aid, Lake Egypt, Structure Fire
7. 1 - First Responder Calls
8. 4 - Power Line Down
9. 1 - Semi Trailer Brakes Overheated
10. 2 - Electrical Transformer
11. 1 - Chimney Flue
12. 1 - Co2 Detector
13. 2 - Furnace Blower Motor
14. 1 - Vehicle

**I. Station Six, 2650 Engine:** Thirty to Thirty-five Thousand possible \$40,000.00

**II. Station Three and Four Roofs:** Station Four - Guttering at rear of building, Station Three: Approximately 10 feet of gutter at the rear north end of the building.

**III. Training:**

1. Firefighter II May 1, 2008. (Southern Illinois Regional Fire Academy) - Station One
2. Airport Firefighter, tentatively scheduled for May 5, 2008. (Taught by me)
3. Traffic Incident Management, April 19, 2008, (Taught by State Trooper Brad Sprague), James Miller "Shib's" Law. Sesser FPD.
4. Basic Wildland Training, hosted by the Shawnee National Forest, April 21-25, 2008.
5. Hazardous Materials Operations: June 20-22 & 27-29, 2008. Hosted by WCFPD.

**Training - Special:**

1. Rope Rescue Technician: Two Week Course 3-3-2008 thru 3-14-2008: \$1,400.00 (Tuition Waved), Illinois Terrorism Task Force is paying backfill for Jason Sheraden. Ben Wilson is taking the course on his own. Both are MABAS Division 45 Technical Rescue Technicians.

2. Fire Apparatus Engineer, 64 Hour Course, Tuition Reduced from \$500.00 to \$250.00: Both Jason Sheraden & Ben Wilson is requesting permission to attend this training. ITTF does not provide backfill reimbursement for this course. For Jason to attend, we would have to pay someone to cover his shift for (3) days out of the (10) that the course is in session. Ben is able to rearrange his civilian work schedule to attend.

3. Fire College, May 29-June 1, 2008: Last year we sent 24 firefighters at a cost of \$7,000.00. I don't anticipate that many requests for this year.

4. Explorer Cadet Fire School: Illinois Fire Service Institute, June 26-29, 2008. Request for Training from Kyle Masters & Zachary Oakley. \$300.00. Advisor provided by Lake Egypt, saving \$300.00.

**IV: 2007 FEMA Grant (Brush Truck):** Still no word. Slim chance now, if any.

**V: Safer Grant:** FEMA is still awarding grants in this category.

**VI: 2008 Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG/FEMA Grant):** APPARATUS: Brush Truck, EQUIPMENT: Extrication Equipment. Type Six Wildland Truck \$115,000.00. Standard Brush Truck, \$65,000.00.

## **END OF REPORT**

There being no further business to come before the board and upon a motion by Fred Becker and seconded by Allan McCabe and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Don Smith, President

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Steve Land, Secretary