

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 14, 2006

A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Williamson County Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at Station Three. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Board President, Don Smith.

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

A motion was made by Fred Becker to approve the agenda. Terry Pike seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Allan McCabe to approve the minutes of the February 2006 Regular Board Meeting. Terry Pike seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A Treasurer's Report was given by Fred Becker listing the following balances on February 28, 2006:

\$ 14,325.20	General Fund Checking Account	Herrin Security Bank
\$ 6,330.24	Bond & Interest	Illinois Fund Account
\$ 21,861.59	Prepaid Insurance	
\$101,380.37	Certificate of Deposit	Farmers State Bank
\$ 67,330.71	Certificate of Deposit	State Farm Bank
\$ 3,329.01	Certificate of Deposit	State Farm Bank
\$294,066.56	Illinois Funds	General Fund

Total Current Assets:
\$508,623.68

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief Swiatkowski reported that he has received the training records from the Stonefort Fire Department. They have nine firefighters listed on their roster. Stonefort has shown interest in becoming a part of the Williamson County Fire Protection District. They have been invited to send a representative to our board meeting, however, their monthly meetings are held on the same day of the month as ours. We will keep the lines of communications open. With a motion by Allan McCabe, seconded by Fred Becker the district will issue a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the 2006 Mutual Aid contract. The motion carried.

With a motion made by Fred Becker and seconded by Steve Land the board accepted the low bid for a new tanker from Mid-State Tanker Company Incorporated at \$54,021.00. The state contract price for the chassis is \$51,325.00. The total cost of the tanker is \$105,346.00. This tanker will replace 2460 from Station Four that was involved in an accident. Other new tanker bids were Semo Tank at \$65,309.00 and US Tanker at \$69,983.00.. The motion carried. The board ask Chief Swiatkowski to get current interest rates for a loan for the new vehicle.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Terry Pike and seconded by Fred Becker to pay the monthly expenses. The motion carried.

Chief Swiatkowski ask the board for permission to apply for the following grants: **The Department of Interior Grant** (June 2006), **The Illinois Department of Natural Resources Grant** (July, 2006) for radios and pagers and the **2006 FEMA Grant** for breathing apparatus, training and proximity gear. The board unanimously agreed..

With a motion by Steve Land and seconded by Terry Pike the board passed Ordinance #06-38, an ordinance authorizing the imposition of charges for services rendered in the containment, removal and disposal of materials hazardous to the public health and safety. A roll call vote was as follows: Steve Land, yes; Fred Becker, yes; Terry Pike, yes; Allan McCabe, yes; and Don Smith, yes.

Chief's Report for: February 2006

Firefighters responded to: Twenty-four (24) Calls

1. 4 - Structure Fires
2. 1 - Vehicle Fires
3. 14 - Field/Brush Fires
4. 1 - First Responder Calls
5. 1 - Investigate a Smell of Smoke
6. 2 - Unfounded Call
7. 1 - Extrication

I. **Safer Grant:** There were too many applicants and not enough money. No award.

II. District Training Update:

A. Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF):

1. The Illinois State Fire Marshall has approved our training request. My training is scheduled for March 26-31, at the Pittsburgh, PA airport.
2. General ARFF Training: A formal monthly training schedule for ARFF has been established.

B. Firefighter II: The course is winding down

C. Terrorism: Scheduled for March 23, 27, 30 and April 4 & 5, 2006

D. Hazmat Awareness: Scheduled for April 18, 20, 25, 27, 2006

E. District Wide Drivers Training: Scheduled for May 19-21, 2006

- III. **Preplanning:** Is scheduled for the Marion Penitentiary on April 5, 2006.
- IV. **ISO Re-certification:** Tentatively scheduled for October 2006.
- V. **Excess Property:** The trailer was purchased by Chris Miller for \$500.00.
- VI. **Web Site:** Our Web Site has been revised and can be viewed at WCFPD.NET. Please note the board minutes and agenda sections. We are now required by law to post the agenda and minutes on our site.

END OF REPORT

There being no further business to come before the board and upon a motion by Steve Land and seconded by Terry Pike, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Don Smith, President

Steve Land, Secretary