

**LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**OPEN MEETING – April 14, 2010**

Chairman Dan Schmidt called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours. Trustees present were: Mark Huth, Herman Buechler, Charles Staser, Larry Enlow, and Bob Ising. Earl James was absent. Also present was Jeremy Klein, District Fire Chief and Attorney Jenny Kuchle; Young, Lind, Endres, & Kraft. There were four other visitors present.

Chairman Dan Schmidt led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Bob Ising read the minutes of the January 27, 2010 meeting. A motion was made by Larry Enlow to accept the minutes as read. Charles Staser seconded. Motion carried.

Chief Klein went thru the First Quarter Financial Report explaining any major differences. Overall we are under budget on expenses. A motion was made by Charles Staser to accept the Financial Report as presented. Herman Buechler seconded. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Tax Allotment Update:** We received our second tax allotment (2008 Pay 2009) at the end of March in the amount of \$211,537.39. This gave us a 2009 total amount of \$627,846.39 in tax allotment not including the cagit/ptrc amount.

**B. FEMA Fire Act Grant 2009 Regional – Update:** This grant was written for the purchase of radio equipment to be used on the 800 mhz Hoosier SAFE-T system. We currently have some radio equipment that is operable on this system however not enough to effectively communicate, meet NFPA standards and safety measures set forth by OSHA. The amount of this grant was \$876,200 and will be used to purchase the radio equipment applied for use on the system. The total cost for our portion is \$20,940 to receive over \$100,000 in new equipment. Greenville is not participating in this project.

**C. Apparatus Update:** All apparatus have had the required NFPA wheel off brake inspections completed and all bad components repaired or replaced. All oil and air leaks have been repaired.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Workers Comp Audit:** We recently went through the annual Workers Comp Audit which was required by Liberty Mutual our state assigned carrier. They received a ton of information and everything went well.

**B. Grants:** Chief Klein reported that he recently came across a grant website and was able to find 3 pages of grants that we are possibly eligible for. He will be looking into these. Also the 2010 AFG Grant Applications will be opening any day. Jeremy and Don Allen both attended the 2010 AFG Grant workshop to get insight on the application.

**C. Annual Apparatus Maintenance and Equipment Recertification:** All the apparatus will be going through the annual maintenance process in the upcoming month along with pump recertification, ladder recertification, and SCBA recertification.

**D. Progress Report:** Chief Klein handed out a list of items the Department has been active on during the past quarter including training, equipment testing, and discussions on membership.

Chairman Schmidt then opened the floor to Board Members and guests for any other New Business. Mark Huth raised the question of why more Departments aren't called to places like Floyd Central High School? Chief Klein said that the Chiefs Association is planning to make a training presentation to the Dispatch Department as to how to dispatch calls for multiple department scenarios. There was no other New Business so Chairman Schmidt recessed the Regular Meeting at 19:35 so the Board could go into an Executive Session.

At 20:12 Chairman Dan Schmidt resumed the Open Regular Meeting.

**E. Lawn Mower w/Trailer:** Jeremy recommended we buy a good riding lawn mower and trailer so it can also be taken to Station 2. There was a lot of discussion about new vs used, and where to possibly look for one. Mark Huth said he would check with one of his contacts for possibilities. Charles Staser made a motion to spend up to \$4,000.00 to purchase a good mower. Trailer would be an added extra. Herman Buechler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business, Charles Staser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Larry Enlow seconded. Meeting adjourned at 20:14. Minutes recorded and submitted by Bob Ising, Secretary to the Board.