## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA

This meeting of the Board of Fire Trustees of the Georgetown Township Fire Protection District, Floyd County, Indiana was held at 5610 Corydon Ridge Road, Georgetown, in the County of Floyd, Indiana, on October 9, 2013, at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Carter, acting Chairman, called the meeting to order and the minutes of the meeting were recorded by Ms. Holz, acting Secretary.

On roll call, the members of the Board of Fire Trustees were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present:

Glenn Gagel, Donald Farnsley, Michael Moody, Jr., Chris Carter, and

Kelly Roggenkamp (arrived at 7:03 p.m.)

Absent:

Steve Hardin and Urban Keithley

The roll/sign-in sheet, maintained by Chief Bader, was circulated for documentation of attendance. Fire Chief Richard Bader, Deputy Chief Jon Saulman, Attorney Keith Pulliam, were also in attendance. Mr. Pulliam's paralegal, Angi Holz, attended to assist with the recording of the minutes.

## Old Business:

**Approval of Minutes.** Mr. Pulliam indicated that additional time was needed to prepare draft meeting minutes for the last meeting. Mr. Moody made a motion to table the July 17, 2013 meeting minutes, which received a second, and was passed 4-0 without the chairman voting.

Mr. Roggenkamp arrived at 7:03 p.m.

## New Business:

Financial Report. Mr. Moody provided the Board with a brief financial report. The Summary of Reconciled Cash Balances through September 30, 2013 was not yet available from Monroe Shine. Mr. Moody announced that he will close an unused bond debt service account that remained open at First Savings Bank to avoid any confusion with future deposits.

Approval of Administrative Claims from July 10, 2013 to October 9, 2013. Chief Bader reported on various expenditures and budgetary matters. Mr. Moody made a motion to approve and ratify all administrative claims since the last meeting, which received a second, and was passed 4-0, without the chairman voting.

**Discussion of Command Vehicle.** Chief Bader discussed the need to replace the 2007 Durango. He proposed the Durango be replaced by the purchase of a Fleet Ford F350. The purchase will take place after January 1, 2014. Mr. Moody made a motion to authorize the Chief to purchase the Ford F350 for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 with the expenditure to occur in 2014, which received a second, and was passed 4-1 with the chairman voting. Mr. Roggenkamp opposed the motion.

Chief Bader discussed the Cumulative Fund anticipated expenses for 2014. The driveway is in need of repair. Chief has received three projected bids which were circulated to the Board members for review. Mr. Farnsley suggested the repairs be done by a company located within the district, if possible. Chief Bader will further research the project and report his findings to the Board members. A copy of the projected bids is attached to the minutes. Chief Bader also discussed projected 2014 expenses related to an extractor/dryer for PPE, which is expected to cost between \$15,000 - \$20,000. No bids have been obtained yet.

**Discussion of Trustee appointments/renewals.** Mr. Pulliam advised the Board that the following four Board appointments will expire on January 31, 2014: Mr. Glenn Gagel, Mr. Michael Moody, Mr. Kelly Roggenkamp, and Mr. Urban Keithley. Mr. Keithley and Mr. Roggenkamp have indicated that they will not seek reappointment for a subsequent term. Mr. Pulliam asked Chief Bader and the Board to bring information regarding potential Board appointments to the November 13, 2013 Special Meeting. Mr. Farnsley suggested that at least one of the new appointments ought to be a Georgetown resident to better represent the district.

Chief's Report. Chief Bader circulated the Chief's Report among the Board members and a copy is included with the minutes. Topics of discussion included: inspection of car seats, the designation of a staff member to be the public relations manager for the District, the development of the District's website, and a summary of run activity and response times. Chief Bader also advised the Board the National Fire School training was cancelled due to the government shutdown and will be rescheduled.

**Legal Matters.** Mr. Pulliam reported to the Board with respect to the ongoing 2014 Budget approval process.

**Miscellaneous.** Mr. Farnsley circulated among the Board members a handout comparing the 2014 budget estimates for Georgetown Township Fire District, Lafayette Township Fire District, and New Albany Township Fire District. A copy of the handout is attached. He asked the Board to consider the possibility of reducing the 2015 budget to reduce the burden on the taxpayers of the District.

Mr. Pulliam and Chief Bader assisted with Mr. Farnsley with online access and instruction related to the online invoicing system.

Next Meeting. A Special Meeting of the Board will be on November 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Moody made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded, and passed unanimously at 8:35 p.m.

Copies of the agenda, and any public documents discussed at the meeting are available for inspection by the public at District Headquarters.

Approved by:

Steve Hardin, Chairman

Date: 11-13-2013

Attested by:

Chris Carter, Secretary