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 January 28, 2015, at 7:21 p.m. This meeting was originally scheduled for January 14, 2015, but was rescheduled due to the lack of a quorum.

Mr. Carter, acting as Chairman, called the meeting to order and the minutes of the meeting were recorded by Mr. Pulliam.

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

Present:

Michael Moody, Jr., Chris Carter, Danny Gaither, and Denny Kunkel

Absent:

Glenn Gagel and Steve Hardin (who attended via electronic

communication)

The roll/sign-in sheet, maintained by Chief Bader, was circulated for documentation of attendance. Fire Chief Richard Bader, Deputy Chief Jon Saulman and Attorney Keith Pulliam were also in attendance.

Old Business:

Approval of Minutes. Mr. Kunkel made a motion to approve the October 8, 2014 meeting minutes, which received a second, and was passed unanimously.

New Business:

Election of Officers. Mr. Pulliam advised the Board that it was time for the election of officers for 2015 and asked the Board for the various nominations.

<u>Chairman.</u> Mr. Moody nominated Mr. Gagel to continue to serve as Chairman. Mr. Pulliam informed the Board that Mr. Gagel had previously indicated his willingness to serve an additional term as Chairman and no further nominations were made. Mr. Moody then made a motion to elect Mr. Gagel as Chairman for the District in 2015, which was seconded and was passed unanimously.

<u>Vice Chairman</u>. Mr. Hardin advised the Board that he preferred not to seek an additional term as Vice Chairman. Mr. Moody nominated Mr. Kunkel to serve as Vice Chairman. Mr. Kunkel accepted the nomination and no further nominations were made. Mr. Moody then made a

motion to elect Mr. Kunkel as Vice Chairman for the District in 2015, which was seconded and was passed unanimously.

<u>Secretary</u>. Mr. Kunkel nominated Mr. Carter to continue to serve as Secretary. Mr. Carter accepted the nomination. No further nominations were made. Mr. Kunkel then made a motion to elect Mr. Carter as Secretary for the District in 2015, which was seconded and was passed unanimously.

<u>Fiscal Officer</u>. Mr. Carter nominated Mr. Moody to continue to serve as Fiscal Officer. Mr. Moody accepted the nomination and no further nominations were made. Mr. Carter then made a motion to elect Mr. Moody as Fiscal Officer for the District in 2015, which was seconded and was passed unanimously.

Financial Report. Mr. Moody presented a brief financial report. A Summary of Reconciled Cash Balances through December 31, 2014 prepared by Monroe Shine was also circulated among the Board for review. Chief Bader also circulated a report entitled GTFP Threshold Budget Numbers.

Approval of Administrative Claims from October 9, 2014 to January 28, 2015. Mr. Carter made a motion to approve and ratify all administrative claims since the last meeting, which received a second, and was passed unanimously.

Chief's Report. Chief Bader provided the Board with his 4th Quarter 2014 Chief's Report. He mentioned that the quarterly average response time of 6:57 was skewed higher by mutual aid runs. Chief Bader reported that significant expenditures had already been required from account 353 and that he used cumulative funds for certain eligible expenditures. He thought it likely that a motion would be needed to increase the budgeted amount for account 353.

The new ladder truck has been delivered and is expected to be released for operation in March. The District's firefighters are currently training to ensure the safe operation of the truck. Chief Bader mentioned that he is considering revisions to the District's response rules to spread out the workload on the District's Fire Apparatus so that they will not wear out quicker than anticipated. He also mentioned that the new ISO rating should be greatly improved and that he will notify the Board and the public once the rating is confirmed.

The Board requested Chief Bader to identify someone with the appropriate skill set in the District to serve as the Public Information Officer. The selected individual should then be provided with training specific to the role of the Public Information Officer. Chief Bader will also develop a standard operating procedure for the Public Information Officer.

Legal Matters. Mr. Pulliam was advised that the Commissioners had yet to appoint a new board member to replace the vacancy after Mr. Farnsley's term ended.

Next Meeting. The next regular meeting of the Board will be on April 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to be preceded by an Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Carter made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded, and passed unanimously at 8:03 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: Glenn Gagel, Chairman