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WESTFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE COMMITTEE AGENDA

May 27, 2010 ~ 8:05 P.M.

WESTFIELD FIRE STATION

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Chairperson Rick Robbs with the Pledge of Allegiance. All members present: Heather Sturdevant, Pat Edington and Ron Oiler and acting Chief Mark Williams.

Recognition of Guests: Gary Harris, Westfield Township; Kevin Rych, Russ Zupanic, Dan Grabowski fire department.

ACCEPTANCE OF COMMITTEE MINUTES: Pat Edington moved to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ron Oiler. Vote: Aye 4 (Robbs, Sturdevant, Edington, Oiler). No 0, Absent 0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Heather Sturdevant moved to pay the bills as amended – Fred Preyer Seminar. The motion was seconded by Pat Edington. Vote: Aye 4 (Robbs, Sturdevant, Edington, Oiler). No 0, Absent 0.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Absent

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Fire Chief Selection Process Update –**
2. Three candidates will be interviewed by a panel headed by Keith Larsen from The Ohio Fire Chief's Association starting at 7:45 a.m. of Saturday, June 5, 2010: Richard Fletcher – Cincinnati, Ron Latrelle – Lima, Joe Fleming – Brecksville. The candidates will take a written exam and also be interviewed.
3. **Update on SOG's ~ Heather Sturdevant** ~ Mark Williams has the SOG'S and the committee will try to have a preliminary set before the new chief is hired. The new chief will go over the SOG's before they are finalized.
4. **Fire Truck and Apparatus Update ~ Members of the Truck Committee** ~ Dan Grabowski, Mark Williams, Kevin Rych, Terry Craig went to inspect the truck and check out stowage of equipment. They were overwhelmed with excitement over the options they had chosen and excited about the time saving and safety features of the new truck. The truck should be in Westfield Center near the end of May so that the department can train on it and hopefully it can be in the Memorial Day Parade.
5. **Fire Contract** ~ The contract is back in Bill Thorne's hands.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Fire Levy Update for the Township – Ron Oiler** ~ The Township will need to pass a resolution to get a renewal levy on the ballot, but will wait until the first week of July to begin. Kevin Rych from the Fire Association said that they will help with the levy expenses, and education with adequate notice.
When asked where the Association gets its funding, Kevin reported monies come from the clambake, Leroy United Methodist Women's Association, root beer floats sold at the Lodi Corn Festival and the Labor Day Car Show in Westfield Center.

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COMMITTEE COMMENTS/CONCERNS ~ Heather asked if unemployment billing be stopped. Who pays for rental van and gasoline? Continued discussion of billing on Fire Calls.

SET MEETING DATES The next meeting is set for 7:00 p.m. at the fire house.

Having no further business Pat Edington moved to end the meeting. The motion was seconded by Heather Sturdevbant.

Secretary

Chairman