

**BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL
MINUTES OF MEETING
February 26, 2009**

The Board of Rural Fire Control met on Thursday, February 26, 2009, at the York County Fire Training Center at 6:30 PM.

Notices of the meeting were forwarded to the members of the Board, the sixteen rural fire departments, and to the members of the media. Notices were also forwarded to individuals who had requested copies, and a copy was posted on the bulletin board at the York County Fire Training Center.

All members of the Board were present.

Members of several fire departments were present.

Chairman David Jennings called the meeting to order.

Gene Thomas opened the meeting with prayer.

Persons not on the Agenda Wishing to Appear before the Board:

Darrell Hood, Correll Insurance Group, appeared and explained the coverage of the Equipment Insurance policy that the Board had requested.

Reading of the Minutes: Randy S. Thompson, Fire Marshal

Minutes of the January 22, 2009, Board meeting were approved as presented.
Minutes of the February 19, 2009, Board meeting were approved as presented.

Finance Committee Report: Tommy Robbins, Chairman

The monthly finance report was accepted as information.
The Finance Committee recommended the Board approve the committee's proposed budget requests for the following years: 2009/2010, 2010/2011, 2011/2012. A recommendation from a committee does not need a second. The motion to approve the proposed budget requests was unanimously approved.
Dickey Pendleton made a motion to approve the transfer of \$5,200 from the Specialized Departmental Supplies Account to the Repairs to Vehicles Account to cover the expenses for rebuilding the cylinder for the York Ladder truck. Gene Thomas seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Equipment Committee Report: Gene Thomas, Chairman

The Board discussed the quote from Darrell Hood, Correll Insurance Group, concerning the cost of insurance coverage for portable equipment. The policy would provide replacement coverage for every piece of equipment used to fight fire regardless of who purchased the equipment. (York County or the individual fire department). Dickey Pendleton made a motion that the Board purchase the portable equipment policy with the \$250 deductible for the cost of \$6,926 annually. Christopher Thompson seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.
The Board was informed that the recommendation to purchase the 27 gas monitors has been placed on the County Council's agenda for the first meeting in March. The total cost of the 27 monitors will be \$18,418.31.
The Board was informed that the additional accountability boards for the fire engines have been delivered.
The Board was informed that the "Bar Code" printer has been delivered.
Bethel FD turned in their old grass truck. Fire Marshal Thompson recommends that the Board have County Council declare the old Bethel grass truck as surplus and sell the unit in the county auction. Gene Thomas made a motion to approve the Fire Marshal's recommendation. Larry Williams seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.
Received a request from the Smyrna FD for the Board to request the County Council give their old grass truck to the

Smyrna FD. Smyrna FD understands that if the request is approved the truck will become the responsibility of the Smyrna FD, and will no longer be in the Board's Maintenance Program. Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to approve Smyrna FD's request. Tommy Robbins seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Gene Thomas made a motion to approve a request from the Fort Mill FD for a set of PPE for David Faile, whose gear is worn out. Larry Williams seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to approve a request from the Oakdale FD for two sets of PPE, a replacement set for Roy Polk and a new set for John Anderson. Gene Thomas seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved. Larry Williams made a motion to approve a \$2,000 allocation per fire department to purchase needed equipment. Kenny Gilfillan seconded the motion. Fire Marshal Thompson suggested that the motion be amended to provide a deadline for the fire department's requests to allow time to obtain quotes, order and receive the equipment before the end of the fiscal year. The motion was amended to have a deadline for providing a list of equipment to the Fire Marshal by April 15, 2009. The amended motion was unanimously approved.

Accident Review Committee:

Larry Williams, Chairman

The Accident Review Committee met and recommends that no further action be required of the Clover firefighter involved in the December 22, 2008, accident. A motion from a committee does not need a second and the motion was approved unanimously.

Miscellaneous

Old Business:

The Board received information concerning the cost to update the essential training videos to latest edition on DVDs. The cost to update the training library will be approximately \$14,000. Kenny Gilfillan made a motion for the Board to update the training library and to transfer sufficient funds as necessary to purchase the new training DVDs. Gene Thomas seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

New Business:

Chairman Jennings recommended that the Board provide accountability boards for the town's fire engines. Larry Williams made a motion for the Board to purchase the additional accountability boards. Christopher Thompson seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman Jennings stated that a vendor had complained that he was not given ample time to quote the PPE. Rickey Wilson informed the Board that the vendor was sent an invitation to provide a quote two weeks in advance just as the other vendors were. No action was taken.

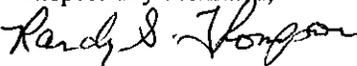
Persons not on the Agenda Wishing to Appear before the Board:

There was a discussion of the Board's policy that the Equipment Committee has to see the truck before the truck will be accepted into the maintenance program. After a department has purchased a truck it is too late for the truck to be denied acceptance into the system, especially if the Fire Marshal's staff has evaluated the truck and made recommendations. The Board did not take any actions.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned with unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,



Randy S. Thompson
Fire Marshal

Note: The minutes of this meeting are a summary of the activities and discussions that took place during the Board meeting. The minutes should not be construed as a complete transcript of the meeting. The minutes will not be approved until the next Board meeting and are subject to be amended at that time. Let it be known that Chairman Jennings does not vote on any action of the Board of Rural Fire Control unless there is a tie in the vote.