

**BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 28, 2009**

The Board of Rural Fire Control met on Thursday, May 28, 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.

Dennis Settlemyre opened the meeting with prayer.

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

No one appeared.

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

Minutes of the April 30, 2009, Board meeting were approved as presented.

Finance Committee Report: , Chairman

The monthly finance report was accepted as information.

Kenny Gilfillan had several questions concerning expenditures to "Whatever It Takes Transmissions" and Radio Communications Services. Fire Marshal Thompson said that he would look into the purchases and advise the Board members.

There was a discussion concerning the purchase of a foam trailer. The Board agreed that a truck with a foam unit would be safer and would better serve the fire program. Dennis Settlemyre made a motion to request that the remaining funds in the Machines and Equipment Account and the Automotive Account be re-appropriated to purchase a cab and chassis and to build the foam unit. Christopher Thompson seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. Bill Dunlap recommended that the chassis be 4 wheel drive. David Jennings said that we would develop the specifications for the cab and chassis at a later date.

Equipment Committee Report: Gene Thomas, Chairman

McConnells FD requested a complete set of PPE for Benji Fairfax. Benji has completed the 1152 course, as well as other courses. He is also a member of the county's hazardous materials response team. McConnells FD also requested a white helmet for Assistant Chief Kevin Hayes, whose helmet is cracked. Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to approve the requests. Larry Williams seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Bethel FD has applied for a FEMA grant for 2009 and requested that the Board provide the matching funds. The grant is for \$61,950.00. The matching funds would be \$3,097.00. Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to provide the matching funds if Bethel FD is awarded the grant. Steve Skinnell seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Bethel FD requested a set of turn out gear for Paul Robinson who is a new member and has finished 1152. Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to approve the request. Bill Dunlap seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

The Fort Mill Fire Department has applied for a federal AFG (Assistance to Firefighters) grant for the purchase of 24 air packs, 24 tracking devices integrated on the air packs, a new compressor, cascade and fill station for the station and a mobile fill station for the service truck. The total request was for \$231,624. Fort Mill will have to match 5% which is \$11,581.20. Fort Mill is requesting that the Rural Fire Board consider providing one-half of the required matching funds totaling \$5,790.60. Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to approve one-half the matching funds if the Fort Mill FD is awarded the grant. Dennis Settlemyre seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

York FD requested that they be allowed to maintain the current 1991 KME fire engine once their new county provided fire engine is delivered. York FD is exploring the possibility of building a substation which would house the current fire engine. Chairman Jennings referred the request to the Equipment Committee.

The Equipment Committee will meet Monday, June 1, 2009, at 4:00 PM at the Fire Training Center.

Accident Review Committee:

Larry Williams, Chairman

No report.

Miscellaneous

Old Business:

Chairman Jennings informed the Board that he had written a letter to Assistant County Manager Anna Hubbard concerning the radio that had been removed from Lesslie FD station #3 and reinstalled in a Lesslie FD truck. David said that Anna had responded that a meeting with the County Manager's office and members of the Board should be scheduled to discuss this matter. Bill Dunlap and Kenny Gilfillan indicated that they would like to attend this meeting. Chief Larry McConnell also indicated that he would like to attend.

New Business:

Chairman Jennings appointed Dennis Settlemyre, secretary of the Board.

Chairman Jennings stated that he was going to defer the appointments to the Finance Committee until the last vacancy to the Board is filled.

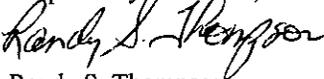
Persons not on the Agenda Wishing to Appear before the Board:

Chief Carl Faulk asked questions concerning the Board providing matching funds for grants. Chairman Jennings explained the procedure.

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.