

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lake Saint Louis Fire Protection District
Board of Directors
7:00 PM, February 25, 2008**

The following members of the Lake Saint Louis Fire Protection District were present:

David J. Monahan, Chairman	Jeff Smith, Fire Chief
Michael A. Schell, Secretary	Robert Guinness, Counsel
Ralph Clark, Treasurer	

Other members of the department present included: Captain Chris Fay, Engineers Clint Gussner, Mike Carroll and Dave Peters and Firefighters Jason Hughes, Justin Darnell, Chris Hill, Cody Long, Mark Ingram, Mike Terranova and Chris Fisher.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

- A. D. Monahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM on Monday, February 25, 2008, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. Additions, Deletions or Changes to the Agenda

- A. R. Clark motioned to approve the Agenda as presented. M. Schell seconded the motion. A vote was called and the Agenda was approved w/ no nays.

3. Approval of Past Minutes

- A. January 21, 2008 – Regular – M. Schell motioned to approve the minutes as amended. R. Clark seconded the motion. A vote was called and the minutes were approved w/ no nays.
- B. February 6, 2008 – Special – R. Clark motioned to approve the minutes as amended. M. Schell seconded the motion. A vote was called and the minutes were approved w/ no nays.

4. Public Comment

- A. There were no comments offered by members of the public.

5. Approval of Vouchers / Treasurers Report

- A. The Treasurers Report was reviewed and vouchers signed by Directors Clark and Schell.
- B. M. Schell motioned to approve the 2007 audit agreement with Botz, Deal & Company. R. Clark seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed w/ no nays. D. Monahan signed the agreement on behalf of the Board.

6. Staff Reports

- A. Chief's Report/Officers Meeting Notes / Career Staff Management Meeting Notes Reviewed (see attached).
- B. Fire Inspection Report/Call Summary/YTD Incident Response Reviewed (see attached).
- C. Communication from Shop (No Report).
- D. Citizen Advisory Committee Comments (No Report).
- E. Counsel Report (Nothing to Report in Open Session).

7. **Old Business**

- A. None.

8. **New Business**

A. Purchase Order – 2 Dell Computers

- Purchase order was not required to be signed by the Board but Chief Smith requested them to do so. PO signed by all directors.

B. 2007 Employee Pension Contribution

- Based on the funds available Pension and Retirement Services calculated the 2007 contribution at 16.536%. M. Schell motioned to approve the 2007 contribution as calculated. R. Clark seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed w/ no nays.

C. Employee Working Agreement Amendment

- R. Clark motioned to approve the amendment as presented. M. Schell seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed w/ no nays. D. Monahan signed the agreement on behalf of the Board and C. Gussner signed on behalf of the shop.

D. Feb. 5th, 2008 Election Results / Resolution

- The Chief briefly discussed the results by precinct as reported by the County. He credited the passage of Proposition Life Safety on the message being brief and too the point as was developed by the committee, the name of the issue as developed by Captain Fay as well as the door to door campaign that was waged by a number of folks and headed by Engineer Gussner. These folks volunteered many hours to seeing that this thing had its best chance of passage.
- The Board echoed the Chief's comments and they too wished to thank everyone involved for the hard work and for volunteering so much time to this issue.
- R. Clark then motioned to approve resolution 2008-01 as presented. M. Schell seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed w/ no nays. All members of the Board signed the resolution.

E. 2008 Proposed Revised Budget

- M. Schell motioned to approve the 2008 Revised Budget as presented. R. Clark seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed w/ no nays.

F. 2008 / 2009 Hiring Proposal

- The 2008 Revised Budget allows for deficit spending for the purpose of hiring 2 additional firefighter right away and will be balanced by utilizing reserve funds. Chief Smith presented a proposal for the hiring of the 2 additional firefighters right away as well as the 3 additional firefighters in 2009, one position being that of the Training Officer.
- R. Clark motioned to approve the Chiefs proposal for the hiring process with the targeted start date of the first 2 additional firefighters as well as the beginning of 24/7 coverage of April 7th, 2008. M. Schell seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed w/ no nays.
- Chairman Monahan then appointed M. Schell to serve as the Boards representative on the hiring committee.

9. **Vote to Close part of this meeting pursuant to Section 610.021.1 and 610.021.3 RSMo.**

- A. R. Clark motioned to go into closed session. M. Schell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: M. Schell, yea; R. Clark, yea; D. Monahan, yea, and the board went into closed session at 8:00pm.

10. Announcements, if any, of closed session votes or decisions.

- A. The Board is pleased to announce that it has accepted the Chiefs recommendation to promote Clint Gussner to the position of Captain in charge of "C" Shift effective April 7th, 2008.

11. Good and Welfare of the District

- A. The 2007 Awards Banquet will be on March 30th, 2008. Chief will confirm date, location and agenda and will keep everyone informed. Invitations to go out soon.

12. Date and Place of Next Meeting

- A. The March Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM Monday, March 24th, 2008 at Sta. #1.
- B. Having no further business, R. Clark motioned to adjourn. M. Schell seconded the motion. A vote was called and the meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Jeffrey P. Smith, Fire Chief
Recording Secretary

David J. Monahan
Board Chairman

Michael A. Schell
Secretary