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## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

April 13, 2015

### Board Members:

Byron Hayles	-Present	Bobby Fortenberry	-Present
Sarah Beth Sherer	-Present	Troy Dyess	-Absent
Roger Few	-Present	Stuart LaGroue	-Absent
Charlie Jones	-Absent	Paul Wohn	-Present
Craig Stanley	-Absent	Dan Wilson	-Absent
Billy Byrne	-Present		

President Hayles called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M. Secretary Sherer conducted roll call.

The minutes from the March 17, 2015 board meeting were read silently. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Bobby Fortenberry. Paul Wohn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### Treasurer's Report

President Hayles read the treasurer's report for the period of March 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015 and asked for approval of Compass checks #6168-6182, Regions checks #3666-3681 and Fire Fighters' Fund checks #1045-1047. After a brief discussion of the Treasurer's Report, a motion was made by Sarah Beth Sherer to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Bobby Fortenberry seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### President's Report

No report.

### Chief's Report

Chief Few reviewed the department's response activity for the month of March with the board. A copy of the activity report is attached to these minutes. In March, the department made 42 responses. The calls included two structure fires that were related to rechargeable lithium polymer batteries.

Chief Few gave an update on Code Enforcement: Tony completed 3 preplan visits, 12 preplan revisits, reviewed 4 sets of plans, 24 initial fire code inspections and 20 fire code re-inspections for the months of March.

Chief Few gave an update of the Community Services Events: The department completed 6 car seat installations, 2 yellow dot registrations, 1 benefit for Howard Popple raising \$6,029.93, 2 funeral details,

3 CPR classes with 11 students and 3 fire prevention events with 250 contacts. The Auxiliary's Annual Easter Egg Hunt had 22 children and 21 adults participate.

Chief Few gave an update on the FY2015 fund drive: \$465.00 has been donated.

Chief Few gave an update on the status of the Prodissee Center. Spanish Fort United Methodist Church has sold the property to Tommy Cane. Mr. Cane plans to build a Piggly Wiggly in one portion of the building. Mr. Cane and Chief Few discussed the department continuing to house the reserve apparatus at the Gathering Place, but the new owner has expressed his desire to sell the property if the opportunity presented itself. Chief Few recommends moving forward with building a storage shed. The board briefly discussed the desired specs of the building. The board agreed upon the specs including 6 inch slab throughout and two bay doors. The board agreed for Chief Few to move forward with the process for the storage shed. The item is a budget item, and no motion for further approval necessary at this time.

Chief Few announced the Awards Dinner will be April 18, 2015 at 6:30 P.M, with the social starting at 6:00 P.M. The location for the dinner will be the Junkyard Restaurant facility.

Chief Few announced the Delta Woods and Water Expo is on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Few presented the board members with a copy of the mid-year financials.

President Hayles inquired about putting out a public notice or safety alert regarding the lithium polymer battery and the dangers involved in using them. Chief Few discussed the cost of sending out a mailer and that postage for a community mailer costs approximately \$900. The board further discussed newspaper articles, press releases, radio announcements, Facebook and other media outlets to promote public awareness about the dangers involved with the lithium polymer batteries. Chief Few will promote public awareness through department's Facebook page and website and will look into other media outlets.

#### Old Business

No report.

#### Land Committee

The City is looking at an 8 acre site near the middle school. Chief Few will meet with Mayor McMillan to discuss in further detail and report back to the board.

#### Employee Committee

The board discussed the Fire Chief's contract. After a brief discussion, Billy Fortenberry motioned to renew the Fire Chief's contract for a two year period. Billy Byrne seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Finance Committee

Bobby Fortenberry reported no financial discrepancies noted.

Integration Committee

No report.

New Business

No report.

The next Board of Directors meeting –May 11th at 6:00 P.M. Station 1.

Chief Few will report back next meeting regarding the progress of the storage building and the public notice about the lithium polymer batteries.

There being no further business, Paul Wohn motioned to adjourned. President Hayles adjourned the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Beth Sherer

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