

St. Matthews Fire Protection District

2009

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The purpose of this "collection" was to create the background and research for the book *St. Matthews Firefighters, 84 Years of Firefighting in St. Matthews, Kentucky*, written by and published by Al Ring in 2004. The collection is continuing today, so if you should have old or new information on the St. Matthews Fire Department, please contact Al Ring.

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The Association would like to thank the St. Matthews Fire Protection District and various newspapers including *The Courier-Journal*, *The Louisville Times*, and *The Voice-Tribune*. Our appreciation is also extended to the various citizens and firefighters who contributed to the gathering of this information.




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January 1, 2009, The department uploaded new web site material.

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The St. Matthews Fire Protection District is recognized as a progressive leader in providing the highest quality of emergency services. They are committed to the preservation of life, property, and the environment by effectively and efficiently meeting the emerging public safety and welfare needs of our diverse community.

We accomplish our goals by maintaining the highest standards of professional service through continued training and education.



Meet a Firefighter
Every month the fire department chooses one of the members for a bio on this site.
January 2009 - Nick Heilmann

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 911

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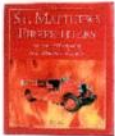
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www.ringbrothershistory.com



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2009

January 5, 2009, Letter:

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**William J. Seng
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Jack Monohan
Faye Ellerkamp

To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: January 5, 2009
Re: District Activity

- ✓ I hope everyone had a great holiday season this year. I know my family sure did.
- ✓ 2633 the 1994 E-One pumper is back in service after having the engine replaced last month due to a catastrophic break down. Clarke Diesel completed the repair just before the Christmas Holiday. The final repair cost was \$19,874.13. *3 yr. WARR. Parts & Labor*
- ✓ The contract for the new 2009 Pierce Tractor Drawn Aerial Ladder has been signed and has been issued an order number. Several of the committee members will be traveling to Pierce within the next couple of weeks to finalize the order.
- ✓ Firefighter Tom Marshall is off from work for an extended period of time with a shoulder injury and will need to have surgery. The time off could be as long as March. To save on the overtime cost Sergeant McCune was moved from day work to shift work to cover Tom's vacancy. I will keep you posted on his progress.
- ✓ All of the major communication equipment that needed to be installed for the cell tower at Station 2 has been completed. All of the new radio equipment that is to go along with this MetroSafe update is still scheduled to be delivered sometime this spring. I wouldn't hold your breath!
- ✓ Enclosed you will find a copy of a Thank You Card from Mike Beneke. He gave this to me the night of our prime rib dinner and asked me to pass it on.

Also enclosed are several EA's for your review!

See you this Thursday evening!

2009

January 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

January 8, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on January 8, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station # 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, Joe Wolfe, Jim Graven, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Faye Ellerkamp, and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Larry Heaphy, Brendan Montgomery, George Wiggins, Joe Bewley, Dave Dugan, Charles McCune, Nick Clark and Nick Heilmann.

Minutes

The minutes of the December 11, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan moved; Rick Tonini seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for November was \$1,525.87.

After 6 months of the fiscal year the finances are still in excellent shape. The District now has about \$1,169,000 spread between 5 local banks for security. The first major real tax revenue check was received in December and the second large check should be received in January. Through 6 months expenses have run 50.53% of the budgeted amount.

Jim discussed the current interest rates on our CD's and how they will have to be renewed at lower rates in the near future.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

2009

January 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

The final contract for the new aerial truck has been signed and returned from Pierce Mfg. Several members of the truck committee will travel to Pierce later this month to finalize the details of our specifications with their engineers.

Unit 2633 is back in service with a rebuilt engine from Clark Diesel. The rebuilt engine includes a 3 year warranty. The final cost of the repair was \$19,874.13.

Firefighter Tom Marshall is off work for several months with a non work related shoulder injury. In order to save overtime Sergeant Charles McCune as been moved to shift work on a temporary basis to fill Tom's vacancy.

All the major communication equipment has been installed on the cell tower at station 2. The new radio equipment for all Metro agencies is expected later this spring.

Enclosed is a letter of thanks from Captain Mike Beneke and the crew of 2658 Platoon 3 for the awards dinner and holiday gift cards.

The 2008 Electrical Code was adopted for Kentucky.

Chief Reckner of Jeffersontown is still involved in a lawsuit with the State concerning the rights for local cities to require home sprinklers.

Jack Monohan moved to send \$1000 to Jeffersontown Fire District to help with legal costs of this lawsuit. Jim Graven seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for January 2009

Remove old heating equipment from Station 1	\$ 4,200.00
Sending 4 firefighter to the FDIC Conference	\$ 6,790.00
Replacement energy efficient lighting fixtures for stations 1 & 2	\$11,755.00
Labor to install lights	\$10,589.00
Upgrade IFSTI Training Programs	\$ 915.30
Install a working fire hydrant for training at station 1	\$ 3,300.00

Jack Monohan motioned to approve the expenditures. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

No report

2009

January 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

New Business

The family of former firefighter Marty Kamer has sent several letters of thanks for our firefighters help at the funeral home and during the funeral. Enclosed were 2 checks with the request that they be spent on something to benefit our firefighters. Chief Seng plans to use the money to purchase flat panel TV's for the updated firefighters work out room and the firefighter's first floor TV room at station 1.

The next board meeting will be February 12, 2009.

There being no further business, John Volkerding moved to adjourn. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously at 6:15 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

January, 8th 2009

To: St. Matthews Fire District Board of Trustees

From: The crew of Quint 2658 P-3

Re: Thanks

As the Christmas season winds down and we begin a new year. We cannot avoid thinking of how fortunate we are to be members of the STMFD. You members are mainly responsible for this feeling, from the more than generous Christmas Gift, to the fitness program that will pay off for years to come with less injuries and a healthier lifestyle. You have also been more than gracious to reimburse us for education expenses that will benefit us the rest of our lives.

We are proud to say we belong to the STMFD , we are happy to come to work every day to serve our community. We feel that we are more than employees and part of something much greater than just a fire department.

Thank You all for the support and encouragement.

Capt. Mike Willinger 

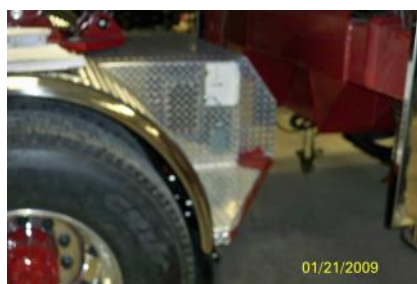
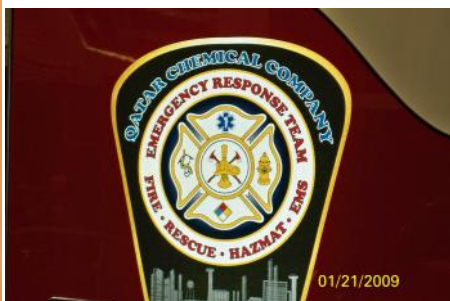
Sgt. George Wiggins 

F.F. Brendan Montgomery 

F.F. Nick Heilmann 

2009

January 21, 2009 Pierce Trip for 2659:



2009

January 28, 2009, Ice Storm:

Kentucky's Ice Storm Worse in Aftermath, By S. James Snyder, Monday, Feb. 02, 2009

Life has come to a standstill in Kentucky, and it's difficult to imagine just who in the Bluegrass State had the more miserable Super Bowl weekend. For those half-million residents who were still without power Saturday night (and 200,000 who were also reported to be without water), this past weekend involved shuttling between one of the estimated 172 emergency shelters that have been operating across the state since Wednesday. For utility crews who worked overtime through the weekend — battling subzero conditions Friday and Saturday — the challenge was not just repairing a few downed lines, but instead rebuilding a ravaged utility infrastructure from the ground up.

As for state officials, the weekend involved a rapid reassessment of just how dire the situation had become. Speaking out the day after some local municipalities decried a lack of federal or state emergency relief, Gov. Steve Beshear described the fallout from last week's ice storm as the state's largest-ever natural disaster. He then activated every last member of Kentucky's National Guard, dispatching all 4,600 Guardsmen to assist with the statewide crisis. On Sunday, they were going door to door in some areas, to reach stranded citizens. But by Monday, there were still a quarter-million people without power, with scores of residents who had first attempted to ride out the storm now giving up and fleeing to shelters.

Most reports of the chaos have focused solely on the numbers: 700,000 Kentuckians thrown into the dark last Tuesday, nearly 200,000 of those concentrated in Louisville alone, with more than a dozen deaths now being investigated. But behind those statistics, Louisville residents on Sunday — without power for yet a sixth day in a row — described a city struggling to adapt to a new status quo. Fuel shortages and restrictions were common at the busiest gas stations. Along many city streets, entire rows of cars were frozen in place, trapped under fallen tree trunks and branches. Some citizens made use of facilities at the University of Louisville to charge portable electronic devices. Students who had lost power watched the Super Bowl Sunday evening in the Rauch Planetarium. The city's Oxmoor Center may have well been the busiest shopping mall in America this weekend: it became a temporary haven for powerless residents seeking a place to warm up while they window shopped.

Some like Erin Schuster, 28, a doctor living on Louisville's east side, have been forced to impose on friends fortunate enough to still have power, setting up camp in their apartment. Schuster says she went to bed last Monday well aware that a powerful ice storm was bound for Louisville, but she was shocked the next morning by the breadth of the damage. "You heard a lot of cracking, but when I finally made it outside, you realized that it wasn't branches that were breaking but entire trees that were snapping in half" under the weight of the ice.

As trees broke and power lines went down, state officials started to scramble. By Wednesday morning, President Obama had been notified about Kentucky's state of emergency. On Sunday afternoon, Schuster, still without power, was surprised to see that work crews — some apparently dispatched from Alabama — were erecting new utility poles next to the fallen poles that had not yet been cleared away. Neighbors told her that the utility crews reported seeing the same sight on every block — decimated power and communication lines that had to be entirely rebuilt.

Jay Blanton, a spokesman for Gov. Beshear's office said late Saturday night that Kentucky was in the grip of "the biggest natural disaster in the state's history," and that it was a crisis of not only electricity but of communication. "This is a situation that's awesome in scope. Ninety of 120 counties are declared emergencies, and it's becoming an issue of communication. Communication towers and lines have gone down, whole communication systems have been devastated," which made it difficult to assess conditions and target relief efforts. He also acknowledged that given the breadth of the emergency, some municipalities had been slow in receiving aid. "There's a level of frustration at the local level, and that's completely understandable, but we're currently assessing how best to assess what capacity we need, and how best to move in the equipment that will provide enough electricity."

Perhaps no one in the state was more frustrated than Randell Smith, the emergency management director of Grayson County in western Kentucky, who told the Associated Press Friday that they had yet to receive any aid from either the Federal Emergency Management Agency or the Red Cross. As for the 25 National Guardsmen who had arrived in his county, Smith said they did not have any of the equipment needed to clear away fallen trees. "Disgusted" was the word that the mayor of Leitchfield, Ky., William Thomason, used to describe his frustration with state and federal officials.

As for Schuster, who lives in one of the state's most densely populated areas, she says she's not sure when life will return to normal. On Sunday, the traffic lights in her neighborhood were not working (she's seen several drivers fail to stop at intersections) and she had not been to work in a week (she was told by her clinic to remain at home, rather than risk the icy, treacherous drive into work). That's the same message that went out to Louisville's public school students; classes for the remainder of last week were called off by Wednesday morning. Schools were still closed Monday.

Basic communication, meanwhile, has ground to a halt. Schuster says that many of her friends' cell phones don't work, given the ways in which the electrical outages have affected cell towers. Without televisions to rely on, many people are turning to the radio for updates. She's kept in touch with many of her friends via Facebook — "just about anyone who lives in Louisville has updated their status to talk about what they've seen, or to tell people where they're staying." As the week-long waiting game continues, Schuster says it's the small miracles that are still making people smile: "My roommate works at a Dollar Store, and they've moved the microwave up front so people without power can come in, buy frozen meals, and then cook and eat them right there, on the spot."

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January 28, 2009, Ice Storm: Courtesy STMFD:



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January, 2009, Ice Storm & 8834: Courtesy STMFD:



Rudy Lane



Rudy Lane



Rudy Lane & Tow



Rudy Lane



Rudy Lane



Rudy Lane

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January, 2009, Incident Report:

STMF

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {01/01/2009} And {01/31/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
Fire				
00 Fire, Other	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
11 Building fire	4	1.76%	\$0	0.00%
14 Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
31 Passenger vehicle fire	1	0.44%	\$2,000	100.00%
40 Natural vegetation fire, Other	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
62 Outside equipment fire	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
	10	4.40%	\$2,000	100.00%
! Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat(no fire)				
51 Excessive heat, scorch burns with no	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
! Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
100 Rescue, EMS incident, other	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
111 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	6	2.64%	\$0	0.00%
116 Medical assist, cancelled by squad after	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
117 Medical assist, assist EMS crew No Patient	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
	11	4.84%	\$0	0.00%
! Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
100 Hazardous condition, Other	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
112 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	4	1.76%	\$0	0.00%
123 Refrigeration leak	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
124 Carbon monoxide incident	6	2.64%	\$0	0.00%
140 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
141 Heat from short circuit (wiring),	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
142 Overheated motor	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
143 Breakdown of light ballast	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
144 Power line down	94	41.40%	\$0	0.00%
145 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
163 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	7	3.08%	\$0	0.00%
	124	54.62%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
500 Service Call, other	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
511 Lock-out	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
522 Water or steam leak	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
350 Public service assistance, Other	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
353 Public service	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
354 Assist invalid	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
371 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	4	1.76%	\$0	0.00%
	12	5.28%	\$0	0.00%
5 Good Intent Call				
600 Good intent call, Other	8	3.52%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	10	4.40%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	3	1.32%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
652 Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
	23	10.13%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
730 System malfunction, Other	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
731 Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	3	1.32%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	5	2.20%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	6	2.64%	\$0	0.00%
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	5	2.20%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	2	0.88%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	13	5.72%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	6	2.64%	\$0	0.00%
	45	19.82%	\$0	0.00%
8 Severe Weather & Natural Disaster				
815 Severe weather or natural disaster standby	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
	1	0.44%	\$0	0.00%
Total Incident Count: 227				
Total Est Loss:			\$2,000	

2009

February 10, 2009, Letter:

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To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: February 10, 2009
Re: District Activity

✓ I hope everyone survived the snow and ice storm last week. I have a huge mess in my yard at home. Station 1 was on generator power all week while Station 2 never lost power. Please let me know if you have any large limbs or yard waste you may need help with.

✓ Asst. Chief Monohan, Sergeant McCune, John Volkerding and I made the trip to Appleton Wisconsin two weeks ago to order the new aerial ladder. Everything went smoothly and we should see some final drawings of the truck any day now. The delivery date is still set for the end of July.

✓ Firefighter Tom Marshall is still off from work because of his recent shoulder surgery. He should be able to return to work around the end of April or early May.

✓ Major Dave Dugan is out of town on his second week leg of the National Fire Academy, Executive Fire Officer Program. If you remember this is a four year program that puts a very strong emphasis on all aspects of fire department operation. This is a very prestigious program and everyone should be proud that Dave was selected as a participant.

✓ The new fire hydrant for training has been installed by the Louisville Water Company at the rear of Station 1 and is fully functional. We should start getting a lot of use out of it this spring.

✓ Contractors are currently in Station 1 removing the old boiler and associated piping and blowers. They should be finished with this project by the end of the week.

✓ If you still need to make a few purchases at the Westport Road Target Store, it's too late. Target closed its doors on February 7th and won't re-open until the new store is completed, which will be somewhere around 8 months from now. Since they have decided to close, the security Department for Target has donated a lot of video equipment that will complement our current

system. Most of the equipment is outdoor stuff and I plan on using it to give video coverage to our parking lots and employee vehicles.

✓ As usual, the roof at Station 1 is leaking in several places. We have made the usual phone calls and they promise to be out to make the repairs as soon as the weather dries up. If you recall our roof system has a twenty year warranty for leaks and repairs. That current warranty only has 5 years left on it so we may want to start budgeting for a new roof in about five or six years.

✓ The Louisville Fire and Rescue along with all the other Jefferson County Fire Districts were awarded a Federal FEMA AFG grant for the purchase of life saving PASS Devices to be used by firefighters during the event of a fire or an emergency. Since the grant is an 80/20 matching funding source, our portion on the grant will be about \$20,000.00. Most likely this project will not start for several months and our funding will probably not be due until the first of July.

Expenditures for February 2009

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
✓ Replacement mirrors for 2633	\$2,078.35	Yes
✓ Replacement tie rod and shocks for 2612	\$809.00	Yes
✓ 2 Echo Chain Saws	\$600.00	Yes
✓ Replacement HVAC Unit over radio room.	\$3,650.00	Capital

Approved

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
February 12, 2009

- I. ✓ Call to Order
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - ✓ (a) Greening Firehouse Committee Report - Graven/Monohan - *Equip. - Waiting to BE Installed*
 - ✓ (b) Legal - Update *MOVED UP OR Docket*
 - ✓ (c) New Apparatus - Update - Monohan *No Report.*
- VI. ✓ New Business
 - (a) Health Care Plan 2009 - Dugan/Seng
 - (B) *90th ANIV. Activities w/ REUNION GROUP - J.M.M.*
- VII. ✓ Executive Session - If needed. *6:15 - 6:30*
- VIII. ✓ The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on February 19, 2009 at 7:00 pm - McMahan Fire Department *TONINI to Attend*
- IX. ✓ The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on March 12, 2009 - Thursday

2009

February 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

February 12, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on February 12, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, Jim Graven, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Michael Monohan, Larry Heaphy, Moss Clore, Joe Bewley, Sam McCune, Tony Glass, Mike Frantz, Frank Flynn and Patrick Montague.

Minutes

The minutes of the January 8, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Rick Tonini moved; Jack Monohan seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for January was \$1,511.19. CRC collections are expected to surpass our projected budget.

After 6 months of the fiscal year, the finances are still in excellent shape. The District has about \$3,098,000 spread among 5 local banks. The district has now received 92.66% of the expected real property tax revenue. Through 7 months, expenses have run 59.27% of the budgeted amount.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

Major Dave Dugan is completing his second week at the National Fire Academy in the Executive Fire Officer Program. This is Dave's second year in the 4 year program that requires 2 weeks of intense study each year.

2009

February 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan, Charles McCune and John Volkerding went to Appleton, WI to complete the detailed specifications with the Pierce engineers. All specifications are now complete and the final drawings and engineering specs. will be sent to us from Pierce in the coming weeks. Delivery is still promised for July. The committee was very impressed with the Pierce facility.

Firefighter Tom Marshall is still off work on medical leave. He is expected to return in 60-75 days.

The new hydrant at the rear of Station 1 was installed by the Louisville Water Company. It should be ready to use for trainings when the weather warms up.

The old boiler has been removed at Station 1.

The roof at Station 1 has developed several leaks. They will be repaired under warranty when the weather clears up. The warranty has only 5 years left and the roof will probably need to be replaced at that point.

Louisville Fire & Rescue and the other Jefferson County districts have been awarded a FEMA AFG grant to purchase a new life saving tracking device that is mounted on each firefighters SCBA. The grant is 80/20 matching. The District's share will be about \$20,000. The money will probably not be needed until the 2009-2010 budget year.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for February 2009

Replace HVAC Unit above Maintenance Office	\$ 3,650.00
Replace Tie Rod & Shocks on 2612	\$ 809.00
Replace Mirrors on 2633	\$ 2,078.35
2 Chainsaws to add to on duty companies	\$ 600.00

Rick Tonini moved to approve the expenditures. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Chief Seng reported that the new energy efficient lights are now being installed at both stations. The energy savings from the new heating system was reflected in the last LG&E bill.

New Business

The Metro Fire Districts who share a health care plan are discussing a plan that will change the joint health insurance to more of a self-funded program using stop loss insurance to back up large claims over \$50,000. This plan is in use in some Northern KY fire districts and will save quite a bit of money over the large

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February 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

increase that was proposed by Humana. The board discussed the plan at length with Chief Seng and agreed to go along with the plan if that is what the other Metro departments in our current plan vote to do.

The board discussed several collection options presented by CRC on how to collect past due money. CRC recommends a soft collection letter process with a threat of going to hard collections. The process would cost the district \$10 each letter series. The board asked Chief Seng to report back with information has to how many of the past due collections are from outside of Jefferson County.

Jack Monohan discussed with the board a request from the reunion committee to work together on plans to celebrate the district's 90th anniversary. The board agreed that this would be a good idea and asked that the committee report back with a suggested date in late summer.

Rick Tonini moved to go into executive session. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously at 6:15 p.m.

The board returned from executive session at 6:25 p.m.

The next board meeting will be March 12, 2009.at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Jack Monohan moved and Faye Ellerkamp seconded; that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:26 pm.

Chairman

Secretary

2009

February 17, 2009: *The Courier-Journal*, Campbell's Gourmet Cottage owner charged in fire, Campbell's Gourmet Cottage burned in '06, by Jason Riley.

Campbell's Gourmet Cottage owner charged in fire

Campbell's Gourmet Cottage burned in '06

BY JASON RILEY • JRILEY@COURIER-JOURNAL.COM • FEBRUARY 17, 2009

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The owner of Campbell's Gourmet Cottage, which in 2006 sat across Sherrin Avenue from the Trinity High School football stadium, has been indicted on charges that she set fire to her store to collect an insurance settlement and open in a new location.

Investigators allege that Susan Kay Lukjan wanted the insurance settlement to offset poor business conditions and allow her to move to another location, according to a release from Maj. G. Henry Ott of Louisville Fire & Rescue's arson bureau.

Jefferson County Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Arthur McLaughlin said Lukjan was having financial problems at the time and was in contentious lease negotiations with the Trinity High School Foundation, which owned the building at 127 N. Sherrin Ave.

The dispute was such that, "On game nights, she would have (fans') cars towed" from parking spaces at the store, he said.

On Aug. 19, 2006, firefighters arriving at the store found heavy smoke pouring from the building. The fire destroyed inventory and much of the structure, which was later razed.

McLaughlin said prosecutors have an "overwhelming amount of physical evidence, including videotape" against Lukjan, although he would not say what the video revealed. He said authorities also have data that will show Lukjan was having financial troubles at the time of the fire.

Lukjan, who reopened her store weeks later in the Woodlawn Shopping Center on North Hubbards Lane in St. Matthews, has been charged with second-degree arson, burning personal property to defraud an insurer and fraudulent insurance acts over \$300.

Lukjan has not been arrested but must appear for arraignment Monday.

Reached at her business yesterday, Lukjan, 45, referred questions to her attorney, Tom Clay.

"She is going to plead not guilty and we are going to contest these charges vigorously," Clay said.

He noted that the investigation has been going on for more than two years and Lukjan has "been here the whole time" and will be in court Monday.

McLaughlin said the case took a long time because it was "heavily" investigated by both the local arson squad and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.



Susan Kay Lukjan will plead not guilty to charges of arson and fraud at her arraignment Monday, her attorney said.



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He also said the case was delayed because it was initially presented to the U.S. attorney's office, which declined to prosecute it. McLaughlin would not say why the U.S. attorney would not take the case but said the commonwealth's attorney's office believes it is strong.

Tim Culver, executive director of the Trinity High School Foundation, issued a statement yesterday saying, "As we have done since the incident occurred we will continue to cooperate fully with local authorities and participate in this matter as needed."

In a Sept. 1, 2006, Courier-Journal story, Lukjan said she had been planning to move her business to the Westport Village shopping center before the fire.

According to its Web site the store sells "cookware, bakeware, gadgets, pot racks, butcher blocks, aprons, and even coffee and tea."

In November 2005, Lukjan sued Trinity in Jefferson Circuit Court, asking that the school provide her "unfettered access" to 23 parking spaces around her building.

The lawsuit said that the store had used those spaces for more than 20 years but that Trinity faculty, staff, parents, students and others were using at least 16 of them.

Both Lukjan and the school said the suit was settled amicably out of court.

Reporter Jason Riley can be reached at (502) 582-4727.

2009

February 18, 2009: *The Courier-Journal*, Shop-fire case strong, official says—Defense attorney discounts charges, by Chris Quay:

Shop-fire case strong, official says

Defense attorney discounts charges

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Fire officials are confident they have enough evidence to prove the fire that destroyed Campbell's Gourmet Cottage in St. Matthews in August 2006 was intentionally set.

Susan Kay Lukjan, the owner of the business, was indicted Monday on charges of second-degree arson, burning personal property to defraud an insurer and fraudulent insurance acts over \$300. She faces 10 to 20 years for the arson charge and one to five years on each of the fraud charges if convicted.

Maj. Henry Ott, head of the Louisville Fire & Rescue arson squad, and Chief Bill Seng of the St. Matthews Fire Department discussed the case at a press conference yesterday morning at the St. Matthews fire headquarters.

"We think this was strictly a financial problem," Ott said. "Lukjan was having cash flow problems at that time."

She has since relocated the business to Woodlawn Shopping Center on North Hubbards Lane.

Lukjan, who is to be arraigned Monday, will plead not guilty and will fight the charges, said Thomas Clay, her attorney.

"Apparently it's the theory of the arson squad that Ms. Lukjan did this because she didn't have any money," he said.

He said he has proof that Lukjan had an agreement with the Trinity High School Foundation to not pay rent from October 2006 through April 2007 and had plans to relocate the business, taking all of her inventory to the new location. The foundation owned the building at 127 N. Sherrin Lane.

"It just seems inconsistent that she was going to do business there rent-free within a few weeks of when that fire happened, and she had already made plans to move," Clay said.

He said his client, who filed a proof of loss with Ohio Casualty Group for about \$220,000, also has sued the insurance company.

Clay said the arson squad never tried to contact him or his client in the days leading up to the indictment.

Seng, who assisted arson investigators in preparing the case, said he felt strongly the fire was intentionally set.

Ott said the fire, which began in the basement, was started using "everyday combustibles." He would not discuss details.

The blaze escalated quickly, pointing to foul play, Seng said. The fire was reported about 5:30 p.m., just 30 minutes after the store closed, but by the time firefighters arrived on the scene shortly after the call, the business was fully engulfed in flames.

"The fire to be that large and big in that short amount of time is not normal," Seng said.

Ott said video surveillance from surrounding businesses, forensics experts and electrical engineers have been used during the lengthy investigation.

Readers can reach reporter Chris Quay at (502) 582-4241.



Susan Kay Lukjan owns Campbell's Gourmet Cottage, now at Woodlawn Shopping Center on Hubbards Lane.

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February, 2009, Incident Report:

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {02/01/2009} And {02/28/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
100 Fire, Other	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
111 Building fire	1	1.01%	\$70,000	85.10%
131 Passenger vehicle fire	3	3.03%	\$12,250	14.89%
142 Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	2	2.02%	\$0	0.00%
151 Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
154 Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
	9	9.09%	\$82,250	100.00%

3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident

311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	5	5.05%	\$0	0.00%
3116 Medical assist, cancelled by squad after	2	2.02%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
324 Motor Vehicle Accident with no injuries	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
331 Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
	10	10.10%	\$0	0.00%

4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)

411 Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	4	4.04%	\$0	0.00%
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
444 Power line down	10	10.10%	\$0	0.00%
445 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	3	3.03%	\$0	0.00%
460 Accident, potential accident, Other	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	3	3.03%	\$0	0.00%
	23	23.23%	\$0	0.00%

5 Service Call

510 Person in distress, Other	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
511 Lock-out	2	2.02%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	3	3.03%	\$0	0.00%
542 Animal rescue	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
551 Assist police or other governmental agency	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%
	9	9.09%	\$0	0.00%

5 Good Intent Call

600 Good intent call, Other	5	5.05%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	14	14.14%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	1	1.01%	\$0	0.00%

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
5 Good Intent Call				
551 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	3	3.03%	\$0	0.00%
	23	23.23%	\$0	0.00%

7 False Alarm & False Call

733 Smoke detector activation due to	4	4.04%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	4	4.04%	\$0	0.00%
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	2	2.02%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	4	4.04%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	4	4.04%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	2	2.02%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	5	5.05%	\$0	0.00%
	25	25.25%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 99

Total Est Loss: \$82,250

2009

March 9, 2009, Letter:

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To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: March 9, 2009
Re: District Activity

- ✓ This spring we will be participating with the Louisville Water Company and their new fire hydrant maintenance project which pays the fire district money based on the amount of fire hydrants we service. For every fire hydrant we service and paint they will pay us \$10.00 each and for every fire hydrant we just service they will pay us ~~\$7.00~~ each. The St. Matthews Fire District has about 650 public fire hydrants that we service in our fire district. Based on the ~~smaller dollar~~ amount we should at least expect to see about \$4550 per year from the Louisville Water Company. Every little bit helps! We will need to okay this agreement at Thursday's meeting.
Handwritten: \$10.00, \$6500.00
- ✓ All of the lighting systems at Station 1 and 2 have been changed out with the new high output but lower operating cost light fixtures. They really have made a dramatic difference in the amount of light they put off. We will try to keep some kind of running comparison with previous years to see what kind of cost savings we are experiencing.
- ✓ Currently there are no major apparatus maintenance problems at this time. The 2000 Chevy Tahoe needed some maintenance performed recently that was completed by the Harrods Creek Fire Department maintenance shop. They have recommended that if we decide to keep the 2000 Chevy Tahoe for an extended period of time that we should consider some other major engine repairs. This car will be recommended for replacement during the next fiscal year.
- ✓ We are currently training at several donated houses on Westport Road that belong to Walden School. We will utilize these houses until the end of March, when at that time we will finally burn all three of them to the ground. I will e-mail everyone the exact dates of the burns as soon as I get them.
- ✓ The latest status on Firefighter Tom Marshall is that he is still undergoing physical therapy three days a week and still anticipates returning to active duty around mid to late May.

Please see the attached EA's for Thursday's meeting!

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March 10, 2009, Letter:

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March 10, 2009

Dear Seniors Group Representative,

The fire death rate among people over the age of 65 is twice as high as the national average, according to the United States Fire Administration (USFA). In addition, the fire death rate among people between ages 75 and 85 is three times the national average and after age 85, it increases to four times the national average. These statistics are especially alarming when researchers estimate that by 2030, the 65 and older population will exceed 70 million people.

The St. Matthews Fire District does not want a member of our community to become one of these statistics, which is why we are contacting you to help get our message out. We would like to attend one of your meetings and put on a short presentation about seniors and fire safety and answer any questions that anyone may have.

If you are interested in St. Matthews Fire District attending one of your meetings please contact us and we will schedule a time for your organization.

Sincerely,

Dave Dugan
Major

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Trustees Meeting Agenda

March 12, 2009

- I. ✓ Call to Order *5:30*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting *Approved*
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report *Approved*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
- V. ✓ Old Business *CONTINUE Phy. Fit. Program, ✓
\$3000.00 FOR REUNION 8-8-09 ✓*
- VI. ✓ New Business
- VII. ✓ Executive Session-If needed.
- VIII. ✓ The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on April 16, 2009 at 7:00 pm-Harrods Creek Station #1
- IX. ✓ The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on April 9, 2009-Thursday

2009

March 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

March 12, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on March 12, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, Jim Graven, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Faye Ellerkamp, Joe Wolfe, and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan, Moss Clore, Frank Flynn, George Wiggins, Nick Clark, Kevin Moulton, Brendan Montgomery, Nick Heilmann, Matt Thoma, Mitch Miller and Charles McCune.

Minutes

The minutes of the February 12, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan moved; Faye Ellerkamp seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for February was received late and will be in the March statement.

After 8 months of the fiscal year, the finances are still in excellent shape. The District has about \$2,978,000 spread among 5 local banks. The district has now received 91.47% of the expected revenue. Through 8 months, expenses have run 65.89% of the budgeted amount.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

The Louisville Water Company will now pay the district \$10 for each hydrant checked and painted as needed. The district has about 650 hydrants and this should generate about \$4500 per year in revenue for work we were already doing.

2009

March 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

All of the districts apparatus are in service with no major maintenance problems. The Harrods Creek maintenance shop has recommended that the 2000 Tahoe have some major engine work in the near future. The Tahoe is up and running right now and will be budgeted for replacement in the next budget.

The district is still using the 3 houses on Westport Road for training and will conduct training fires in late March though the first week of April.

Tom Marshall is still in physical therapy and expects to return to duty in late May.

The district expects to receive a FEMA reimbursement for expenses related to the ice storm.

The Metro insurance committee has extended the old plan with Humana for 30 days while details of the new health insurance plan are worked out.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for March 2009

Remodel & update scba & /gear cleaning room at Station 1	\$ 3,100.00
1200 feet replacement 5" Supply Hose	\$8,961.00
6 Sets turnout gear	\$10,071.00

Jack Monohan moved to approve the expenditures. Joe Wolfe seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Chief Seng reported that the installation of new energy efficient lights is complete at both stations. A report with a comparison on energy saving will be done after several months of data have come in.

New Business

Joe Wolfe introduced Matt Toma and Mitch Miller. Matt and Mitch are the personal trainers that have been running the department's physical fitness program. The program has produced good results and increased the strength and physical condition of all firefighters in the program that includes all career firefighters and several volunteers who participate as time allows. The program was funded on a trial basis for 3 months ending April 1. The board reviewed the data and discussed the merits of the program with firefighters that were present.

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Rick Tonini moved to fund the program at its current level through June 30. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Jack Monohan brought a request from the reunion committee working on the district 90th anniversary celebration, for \$3000 to fund their efforts.. The board discussed the details of their efforts.

Jack Monohan moved to approve \$3000 to fund the 90th anniversary project. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The next board meeting will be April 9, 2009.at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Jack Monohan moved and Joe Wolfe seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:10 pm.

Chairman

Secretary

2009

March 12, 2009, Trustee meeting: Matt & Mitch report—

Milwaukee-Physical Ability Test

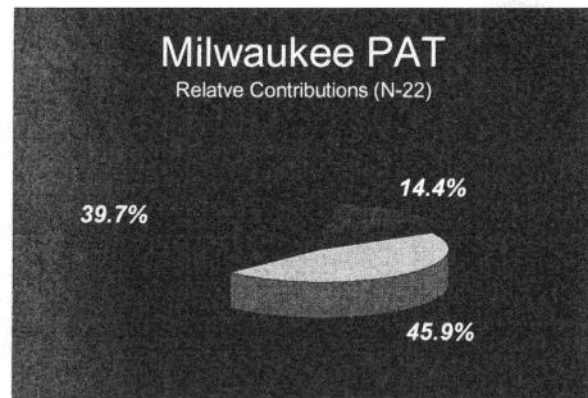
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MPAT Duration — 2:37.82

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MATT & MITCH



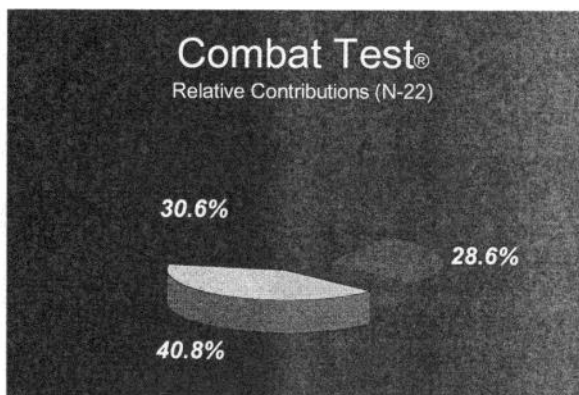
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- Size contributes 28.6%
- Strength contributes 40.8%*
- Fitness contributes 30.6%*

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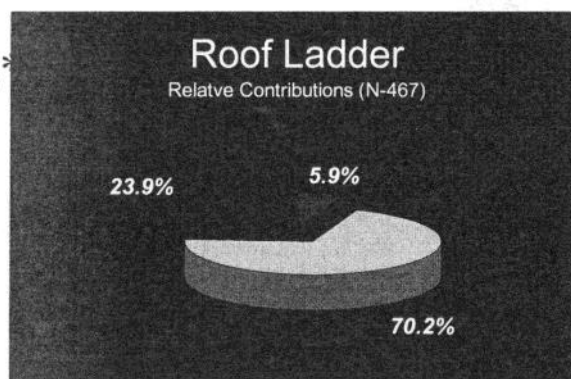
Roof Ladder Performance

B.I.T. Training Evolution

RL Duration — :54.75

- Size contributes 5.9%
- Strength contributes 70.2%*
- Fitness contributes 23.9%*

**Statistically significant at the .05 level ($p < .05$).*



The Economic Benefits

Reduction in Injuries

- Results of a longitudinal study of the Los Angeles Fire Department suggested that over 3 years an employee fitness program saved 3,725 injury days at a estimated value of about \$483,000. (Barnard & Anthony, 1980)

Year	72	74	76	78
Injured on Duty	2,134	1,669	1,891	1,814
Emergency Incidents	167,038	182,343	204,698	217,376
Number of Firefighters	3,269	3,165	3,134	3,018
Ratio: IOD/Calls	0.0127	0.0091	0.0092	0.0083

Note: LAFD's fitness program started in 1972.
By 1978 the IOD/Calls ratio was reduced by 34.6%.

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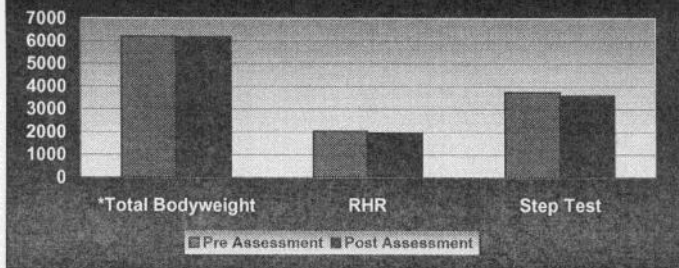
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Fitness Assessment Results

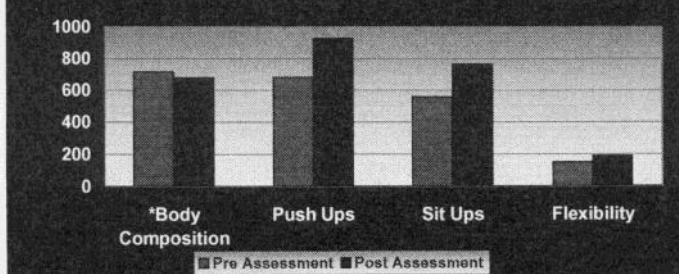
	Pre Assessment 10-15-08	Post Assessment 1-1-09	Difference
*Total Bodyweight	Group Totals 6208	Group Totals 6186	▼ 22 LBS
RHR	Group Totals 2040	Group Totals 1972	▼ 68 BPM
Step Test	Group Totals 3737	Group Totals 3595	▼ 142 BPM

Performance Variables



	Pre Assessment 10-15-08	Post Assessment 1-1-09	Difference
*Body Composition	Group Totals 714	Group Totals 679	▼ 35%
Push Ups	Group Totals 680	Group Totals 929	▲ 249
Sit Ups	Group Totals 558	Group Totals 765	▲ 207
Flexibility	Group Totals 149	Group Totals 187.5	▲ 38.5"

Performance Variables

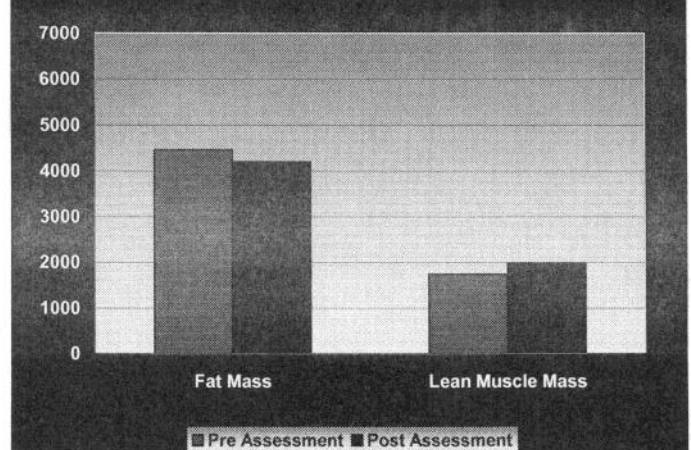


Saint Matthews Fire Department

Fitness Assessment Results

	Pre Assessment 10-15-08	Post Assessment 1-1-09	Difference
Fat Mass	Group Totals 4462	Group Totals 4200	▼ 262 lbs
Lean Muscle Mass	Group Totals 1746	Group Totals 1986	▲ 240 lbs

Net Body Composition Change



*Net Body Composition Change is calculated by adding together the pounds of lean muscle mass you gain and the pounds of fat mass you lose. The St. Matthews Fire Dept. only lost a total of 22 pounds of bodyweight. However, after calculating before and after body composition (via skin fold), the truth is revealed. Starting combined bodyweight was 6208 pounds and total body composition was 714%. This tells us that the group as a whole had a total of 4462 pounds of Fat and 1746 pounds of Lean Muscle Mass. After a combination of intense resistance training and metabolic enhancement training, a total of 262 pounds of fat was lost and an incredible 240 pounds of Lean Muscle Mass was gained!!

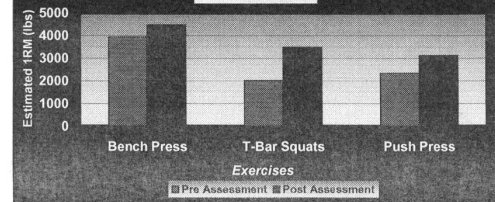
Net Body Composition Change is 502 pounds.

Saint Matthews Fire Department

Muscular Strength Results

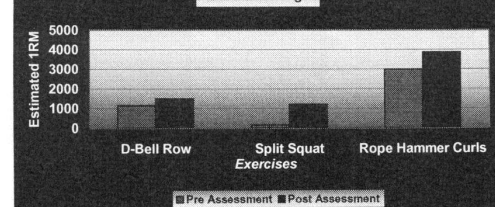
	Pre Assessment 12-2-08	Post Assessment 1-5-09	% Increase
Bench Press	Weight 3932	Weight 4471	13.71%
T-Bar Squats	Group Totals 2013	Group Totals 3482	72.98%
Push Press	Group Totals 2334	Group Totals 3122	33.76%

Muscular Strength



	Pre Assessment 12-2-08	Post Assessment 1-5-09	% Increase
D-Bell Row	Weight 1145	Weight 1494	30.48%
Split Squat	Group Totals 169	Group Totals 1199	609.47%
Rope Hammer Curls	Group Totals 2997	Group Totals 3871	29.16%

Muscular Strength



Split Squat: Drastic strength increase due to learning curve and Range of Motion.

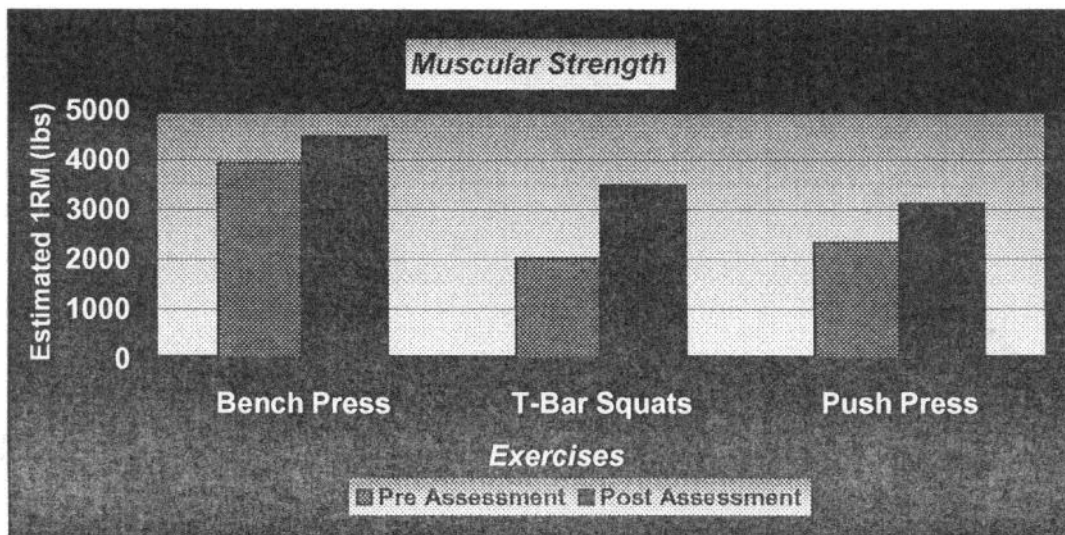
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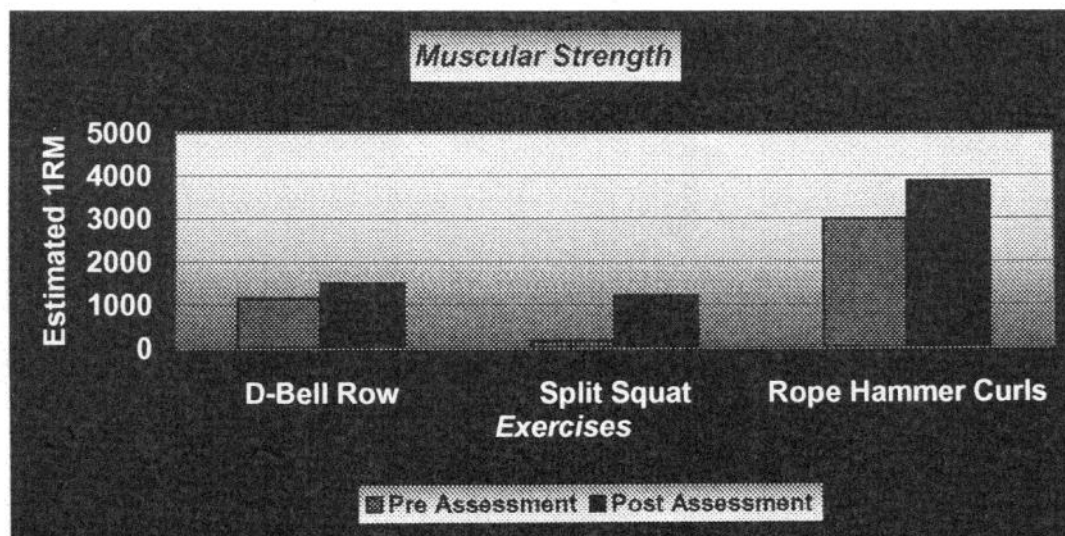
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Muscular Strength Results

Exercises	Pre Assesment 12-2-08			Post Assessment 1-5-09			% increase
	Weight	Reps	Est 1RM	Weight	Reps	Est 1RM	
Bench Press	Group Totals		3932	Group Totals		4471	13.71%
T-Bar Squats	Group Totals		2013	Group Totals		3482	72.98%
Push Press	Group Totals		2334	Group Totals		3122	33.76%



Exercises	Pre Assesment 12-2-08			Post Assessment 1-5-09			% increase
	Weight	Reps	Est 1RM	Weight	Reps	Est 1RM	
D-Bell Row	Group Totals		1145	Group Totals		1494	30.48%
Split Squat	Group Totals		169	Group Totals		1199	609.47%
Rope Hammer Curls	Group Totals		2997	Group Totals		3871	29.16%



Split Squat: Drastic strength increase due to learning curve and Range of Motion.

March 13, 2009, Region's Firefighters Get Lifesaving Security Devices

Friday March 13, 2009—Nation's largest FEMA grant to buy equipment for nearly 1,700 firefighters

The Federal Emergency Management Agency joined Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson, Congressman John Yarmuth and regional fire chiefs today to announce a \$1.7 grant to 22 fire departments serving Louisville Metro and southern Indiana. The grant will purchase individual security devices for each of the region's nearly 1,700 firefighters, which will vastly improve firefighter safety and agency interoperability during large-scale emergencies.

The award is the largest of its kind in the country and is among the first regional grants FEMA has approved.

"This project will help to protect the safety of our firefighters across Louisville and southern Indiana as they work to protect our citizens," Abramson said. "These security devices will allow us to track and identify each of our firefighters at a scene – a critical component of accountability during emergencies."

"Our firefighters show up to work each day ready to put their lives on the line for our community. They are our heroes, and it's critically important that they have our full support even in tough economic times," Congressman Yarmuth said. "This funding gives Louisville area firefighters state-of-the-art protective and communicative tools that are critical to keeping our community—and themselves—safe."

The \$1.7 million grant will be matched with \$437,000 in local funding to purchase a complete, electronic accountability system and Personal Alert Safety System (PASS) to replace antiquated technology which is more than 15 years old.

"Advances in technology can better protect firefighters as they put their lives on the line to save others," said FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer Kim R. Kadesch. "The funds from this grant will help increase the personal safety and job effectiveness for first responders working in hazardous conditions."

Currently, most fire departments track firefighters at emergency scenes using a manual "dog tag" system. Each firefighter attaches a tag to an accountability board maintained on the fire vehicle. Those boards are collected and maintained on scene at the command post by an accountability officer. During large-scale emergencies involving multiple agencies, precise accountability is difficult as units report on scene and deploy personnel at different times. The "dog tag" system also doesn't allow commanding officers to know exactly where an individual firefighter may be at any time, and there is no immediate notification if a firefighter is injured or incapacitated.

Another complication is reliance on radio communication only during an emergency – interference and background noise may prevent incident commanders from hearing calls for help, and during heavy radio transmissions, not all messages may be transmitted.

The grant will purchase new PASS devices – small, durable plastic transmitters that attach to a firefighter's coat or oxygen tank that transmit identification information to a central tracking computer on site at an emergency.

When a firefighter leaves the fire apparatus, the device is activated and transmits the firefighter's identification to the incident commander, giving the command unit real-time documentation for their entire team. The remote alert devices are designed to send distress or mayday signals if a firefighter activates the alarm or if the firefighter stops moving for a certain number of seconds. Once a distress signal is received, all remote alert devices would receive notification so firefighters can immediately search and rescue a responder in trouble. Remote devices can also receive evacuation messages.

"The PASS devices are the next best thing to having someone over your shoulder," said Louisville Fire Chief Greg Frederick. "Being able to recognize and immediately locate a firefighter in trouble will prevent injuries or even deaths."

Frederick said the accountability system will be purchased and distributed to all participating fire departments by early summer. Every firefighter will receive a PASS. The grant will also purchase laptops and accountability software.

The 22 participating fire departments respond to 55,000 runs each year. Over a three-year period, the total cost of the equipment averages \$13 per run. Participating fire departments include:

Louisville Fire Department
Anchorage Fire and Rescue
Buechel Fire Protection District
Camp Taylor Fire Protection District
Dixie Suburban Fire Protection District
Eastwood Fire Protection District
Fairdale Fire Protection District
Fern Creek Fire Protection District
Harrods Creek Fire Protection District
Highview Fire Protection District
Jeffersontown Fire Protection District

Lake Dreamland Fire Protection District
Lyndon Fire Protection District
McMahan Fire Protection District
Middletown Fire Protection District
Okolona Fire Protection District
Pleasure Ridge Park Fire Protection District
City of Shively Fire Department
St. Matthews Fire Protection District
Worthington Fire Protection District
Clarksville (Clark County), IN
New Albany (Floyd County), IN

FEMA's Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) funds help provide firefighters and emergency medical service personnel the tools necessary to do their jobs safely and effectively. The AFG program includes three kinds of awards: Fire Grants, Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grants and Fire Prevention and Safety grants (FP&S).

For more information go online to www.firegrantsupport.com or www.fema.gov.

2009

March 21, 2009, by Wiley Brewer, former STMFD. STMFD S3, owned by Rick Albers, at the Mid America Truck Show, at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center.



2009

March 23, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*, Fire damages home off Brownsboro:

Fire damages home off Brownsboro

The Courier-Journal

An early morning fire damaged a home in the 700 block of Indian Ridge Road in eastern Jefferson County, a MetroSafe Communications supervisor said, adding that she was not aware of any injuries.

The blaze, reported at 1:21 a.m., was fought by firefighters from the St. Matthews, Lyndon and Harrods Creek departments, she said. It was brought under control at 1:50 a.m., the supervisor said.

Indian Ridge Road is off Brownsboro Road across from Zachary Taylor National Cemetery.

March 24, 2009, *Firehouse.com*, Good Samaritan Rescues Kentucky Couple from Fire: By Mike Petchenik, story by WLKY.com

Good Samaritan Rescues Kentucky Couple from Fire

Posted: 03-24-2009
Updated: 03-25-2009 09:26:26 AM

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MIKE PETCHENIK
Story by [wlky.com](#)

ST. MATTHEWS, Ky. --

Paper carrier Chris Wooldridge was called a "guardian angel" after he rescued two people from their burning home on Monday.

"I saw clouds of white smoke," he said. "At first I thought the church was on fire."

Wooldridge said he could see that smoke was coming from a home in the 700 block of Indian Ridge Road in the Windy Hills subdivision. So, as he'd played out in his mind many times before, he called 911 and sprang into action.

"I banged on the front door, rang the doorbell, got no response," he said. "I ran to the back of the house. The smoke was so thick I couldn't get to the back door."

Inside, homeowner John Jones and his wife, Virginia, had been fast asleep.

"All of a sudden, bang, bang, bang on my front door," he said. "When I opened the door, he grabbed me." Chris Wooldridge Wooldridge said he told Jones his house was on fire and that he needed to get out immediately.

Then, as Jones called for his wife, Wooldridge said he ran back into the smoke-filled home to find her.

"I just put the comforter around her and grabbed her like a football stance and got her out to the porch," he said.

St. Matthews Fire Chief Bill Seng said the fire was pretty intense when firefighters arrived and that the homeowners didn't have any working smoke detectors.

"It probably took us about 30 minutes to get it under control," he said. "Minutes count in a house fire and the results might have been drastically different if he hadn't stopped by." John Jones Wooldridge scoffed at the idea of being called a "hero."

"To me, the heroes are the people who do it every day when they go to work," he said. "They have a chance of putting their life on the line."

He said he would do it all over again if he encountered a similar situation.

"Anybody needing help, I'd give them a helping

hand," he said.

John Jones said he's thankful that Wooldridge stressed the urgency of the situation to him.

"That air was toxic and I wasn't feeling that right away," he said. "I wasn't in a big hurry, but he caused me to be in a big hurry."

Jones said Wooldridge was their "guardian angel."

"I told him: 'If you weren't a hero before, you are now as far as I'm concerned.' Because he is," said Jones.

Fire officials said a faulty light in the couple's kitchen likely sparked the blaze.

2009

March 23, 2009, Working fire at Indian Ridge, these photos courtesy Gregg Cobb:



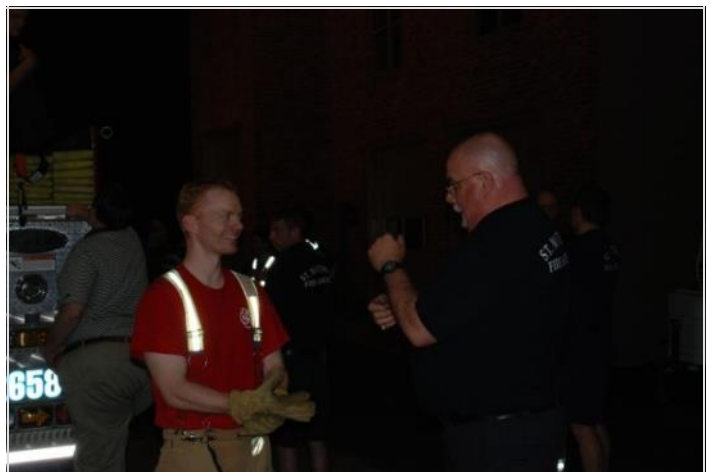
2009

March 23, 2009, Working fire at Indian Ridge, these photos courtesy Gregg Cobb:



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March 23, 2009, Working fire at Indian Ridge, these photos courtesy Gregg Cobb:



2009

March 25, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*, Vacant house burns in St. Matthews



March 25, 2009

Vacant house burns in St. Matthews

The Courier-Journal

A vacant house on Westport Road used yesterday for training St. Matthews firefighters with "live burns" rekindled itself early today, a department spokesman said.

The house is one of several in the 4200 block of Westport used by the St. Matthews Fire Department for training, Capt. Frank Flynn said.

He said the houses are scheduled for destruction soon as part of the widening of Westport near Hubbards Lane.

He said firefighters would allow the house, directly across from the Walden School, to burn itself out "a few days early."

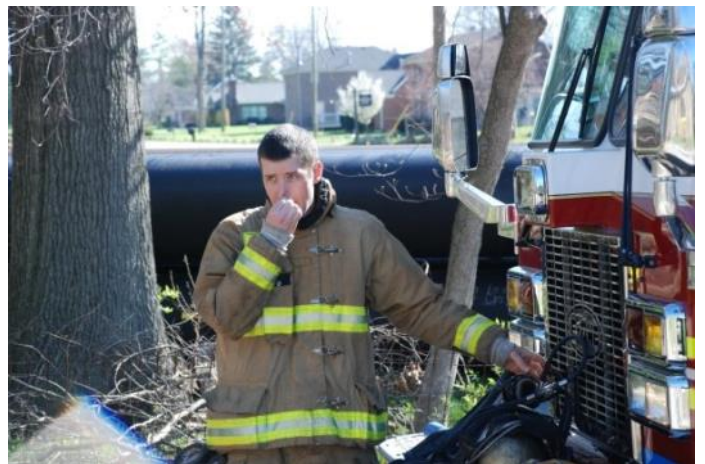
The fire was reported at 2:29 a.m.

2009

March, 2009, Training fires at Walden School property, across Westport Rad from school:



Derrick Miskell



Nick Clark

2009

March, 2009, Training fires at Walden School property, across Westport Rad from school:



2009

March, 2009, Training fires at Walden School property, across Westport Rad from school:



Adam Hanrahan, Nick Clark, Partick Montague



Derrick Miksell



2009

March, 2009, Training fires at Walden School property, across Westport Rad from school:



Sam McCune

2009

April 6, 2009, Letter:

*Smoke Detectors
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To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: April 6, 2009
Re: District Activity

April Trustees meeting is this Thursday at 5:30pm.

- ✓ We have completely finished training on the three houses on Westport Road that were donated to us by the Walden School. This donation provided our firefighters with very valuable training opportunities that we do not normally get during the course of our regular training schedule. We had several of our firefighters come out with a few bumps and scrapes but overall everyone managed to keep themselves out of harm's way. Congratulations to Captain Mike Richardson and everyone else that were involved in making this huge endeavor a great success.
- ✓ The latest information from John Chilko about Denny Engnehl is that he is staying in Florida with his daughter and that he is in a very weak condition, most of the time he is not physically able to talk to John on the phone. His daughter has indicated that he most likely will not be returning back to Louisville. I will keep everyone informed of his progress.
- ✓ Two weeks ago we had a fairly significant house fire in a home located on Indian Ridge Road. The fire started from a faulty light fixture located in the kitchen ceiling which eventually set the entire attic space on fire. The blaze was under control after several minutes due to the great efforts by all of the firefighters and fire departments (Lyndon and Harrods Creek) involved. The occupants of the home were not even aware the home was on fire until a paper carrier passing by stopped and got them out of the house. His heroic efforts probably saved their lives. We will be honoring this individual (Chris Wooldridge), at the Windy Hills city council meeting on April 13th at 6:30 pm, which is held at the Calvin Presbyterian Church.
- ✓ The trial dates have been set for Ms. Susan Lukjan, who has been charged with setting the fire at the Campbell's Gourmet Cottage back in the summer of 2006. A pre-trial hearing has been scheduled for 9:00 am on October 19th with an actual trial to be held on January 19, 2010 at 9:30 am. As these dates get a little closer I will remind everyone again just in case you would like to attend.
- ✓ Early last month "Betsy" the 1931 Seagrave, broke down and lost her get up and go. The Harrods Creek Fire District's maintenance department determined that she had broke and axle. Apparently after talking to several historians that this was about the six or seventh time that this has happened that they are aware of. Republic Diesel has been given the task of finding a replacement axle and making all of the necessary repairs to get her up and running again. Republic said it may be difficult to find a replacement axle because of her age. If a replacement axle cannot be found they will have to make one. I will keep you posted.
- ✓ Several changes have been made over the last several days as it relates to Hazardous Duty CERS and the way it is calculated. Also, the Kentucky State Incentive Pay has been changed recently as it relates to overtime calculations. The Trustees will need to make a decision soon on how we as a district will proceed when calculating overtime and whether it should be with or without the inclusion of the incentive pay.
- ✓ We should be hearing something soon, maybe this week or next, from the Jefferson County PVA office about the preliminary assessments for real property for the 2009 – 2010 fiscal year. Once we have these numbers we can move forward on working on an operating budget for next year.
- ✓ There are no EA requests for the month of April, 2009.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions!

2009

April 8, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*, by Martha Elson: Carrier's mental plan saved couple in Windy Hills fire:

Carrier's mental plan saved couple in Windy Hills fire

By Martha Elson
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Newspaper carrier Chris Wooldridge had often thought about what to do if he came upon an emergency in the middle of the night.

Wooldridge, 43, who delivers *The Courier-Journal* in the Crossgate and Holiday Manor area off Old Brownsboro Road, had a chance to act March 23, when he came upon a house fire about 1:15 a.m. in Windy Hills.

Now he's being hailed for helping a couple in their 80s escape their burning home on Indian Ridge Road next to Christ Church United Methodist Church.

"We're out when nobody else is out," Wooldridge said.

"He literally probably saved those peoples' lives," St. Matthews Fire Chief Bill Seng said. There was not a working smoke detector in the house, and the occupants "were not even aware there was a fire."

"He's a real hero," said homeowner John Jones, who was in a bedroom with his wife, Virginia, when Wooldridge repeatedly banged on the door. "I'll be forever thankful."

Jones also expressed appreciation to firefighters from the St. Matthews, Lyndon and Harrods Creek departments, who brought the blaze under control about 1:50 a.m.

Windy Hills Mayor Lou Phillips and Seng both say they plan to honor Wooldridge, who grew up in St. Matthews and now lives in New Albany.

The Joneses are staying at a hotel while waiting for their house, which was insured, to be repaired. The fire is thought to have been caused by a faulty light in the kitchen, Seng said. Jones said he had replaced fuses in the basement the night of the fire, but a wall light still hadn't come on.

Wooldridge is just glad he was driving by.

"The Lord put me at the right place at the right time," he said, speaking while visiting his mother, Mary Wooldridge, at her home in St. Matthews.

"He actually cried the second time he called me" to talk about it, "it shook him up so bad," his mother said.

Wooldridge said he was driving on Brownsboro Road near Hubbards Lane on the cold night of the fire to pick up papers at a distribution center in Lyndon when he saw smoke billowing near the church.

He then noticed flames coming through the roof of the Jones house and didn't see any other headlights or activity: "It was just me and the smoke."

He said he immediately dialed 911 to report the fire and then started beating on the front door and ringing the door bell. "I couldn't get any response," he said. "I tried to go to the back door, but the smoke was so thick I couldn't get to the back door."

When John Jones finally came to the door, "I said, 'Sir, your house is on fire,' and I grabbed him,"

Wooldridge said.

Wooldridge said he also helped get Virginia Jones out of the house and went back in to get her slippers and socks when he discovered she was barefoot in the cold before firefighters arrived.

Wooldridge said he followed all the emergency response procedures he had mapped out in his mind. "I stuck to my plan, and everything worked great," he said.

Reporter Martha Elson can be reached at (502) 582-7061.



By Martha Elson, *The Courier-Journal*

Newspaper carrier Chris Wooldridge helped rescue an elderly couple from their burning house in Windy Hills. (He's shown with his truck outside his mother's house in St. Matthews).

2009

April 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
April 9, 2009

- I. ✓ Call to Order *C 5:30*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report *By Chief Seng*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
(a) FEMA Resolution
- V. ✓ Old Business
(a) Reunion Committee *8-8-09 still on track*
(b) Report on Legal Issue - Walter Sales
(c) CRC - Discussion *REVISIT AGAIN NEXT MONTH*
- VI. ✓ New Business
(a) Election Committee - Wolfe *FAYE UP (letter by 5-1-09)*
OK (b) Change May Meeting Date to May 7 *JOE UP letter to 6-15-09*
MEMBERS BY
- VII. Executive Session - If needed. *NONE* *ELECTION 6-27-09*
[11 to 2]
- VIII. ✓ The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on April 16, 2009 at
7:00 pm - Harrods Creek Station #1
- IX. ✓ The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on
May 7, 2009 - Thursday
CHANGE OF DATE

Capital Expenditures 2009-2010

New mower station 2	\$6,000.00
Station 1 phone mailboxes	\$3,500.00
10 Uniform Jackets	\$3,000.00
Drivers seats 2634 & 2633	\$2,600.00
Mirrors 2634	\$2,300.00
Copy machine	\$8,000.00
2010 Ford Expedition	<u>\$35,000.00</u>

Total \$60,144.00

2009

April 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

April 9, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on April 9, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Faye Ellerkamp, Joe Wolfe, and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan, Dave Dugan, Matt Board, Derrick Miskell, Ron Renner, Mike Frantz, Greg Crabb, Walter Sales and Michael Monohan.

Minutes

The minutes of the March 12, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan moved; Rick Tonini seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Chief Bill Seng gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for March was \$846.36.

After 9 months of the fiscal year, the finances are still in good shape. The district has now received 93.04% of the expected revenue. Through 9 months, expenses have run 73.91% of the budgeted amount. It appears that interest income will be below the budgeted amount because of low interest rates on CD's. Tangible goods revenue has been strong and should make up for the interest revenue rate shortfall.

Faye Ellerkamp moved to approve the treasurer's report. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

The live fire-training has been completed on the three houses on Westport Road. Lyndon, Harrods Creek, and McMahan also trained on the houses and it was very beneficial to all personnel involved.

2009

April 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Marshal Denny Engnehl is staying in Florida with family because of his weak condition. It appears that he will not be returning soon.

There was a house fire on Indian Ridge Rd. two weeks ago. We will be honoring Chris Wooldridge who is a paper carrier in the area; Chris found the fire, called 911 and was able to awaken the residents of the house who were unaware of the fire. He will be honored at the Windy Hills city council meeting on April 13th at 6:30 p.m.

The arson case involving Susan Lukjan, the owner of Campbell's Gourmet Cottage, will begin with a pretrial hearing scheduled for 9:00 a.m., October 19th. The trial is scheduled to begin January 19, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

Our 1931 Seagrave Engine, "Betsy" has a broken drive axle. Because of the engine's age, Republic Diesel is trying to locate a replacement. If one cannot be found, we may have to have a replacement made.

The Jefferson County PVA expects to have preliminary numbers for the 2009-2010 fiscal year in mid April. Once the numbers are received, we can begin work on the budget.

Several changes have been made in Kentucky State law involving the way Kentucky State incentive pay is calculated. For many years, the labor cabinet has ruled that this incentive pay is to be calculated including scheduled overtime. The new law requires that incentive pay is to only be added to unscheduled overtime. The board discussed this issue at length, because by making the change, our firefighters will be receiving a pay cut since the money has been included for over 10 years. John Volkerding suggested that when we begin work on the budget we consider a plan to adjust the firefighter's hourly wage, so no wages are lost. Joe Wolfe also favored this as a way to make sure firefighter wages remain at current levels. No action was taken at this time, but it will be addressed when working on the budget.

Chief Seng requested no expenditures for April 2009.

Old Business

Jack Monohan reported that the Reunion Committee is working on the final plans for this summer's event. Invitations will be sent out in May.

Walter Sales reported that the District's case was not overturned by the Kentucky State Court of Appeals. Walter was surprised by the ruling and still believes the District should submit the case to the Kentucky Supreme Court for consideration. Walter also said his firm has agreed to pick up the tab for submitting the case to the Supreme Court. If they agree to hear the case, it will

2009

April 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

cost the District \$20,000 to \$30,000, but the odds of winning at that point would be much greater. The board discussed the issues involving this case at length.

Joe Wolfe moved to submit the case to the Supreme Court for review. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Joe Wolfe reported on the upcoming trustee election. The career firefighter's representative position is up for election this year. Joe will not run for a third term. The firefighters have been informed and have until May 1st to apply to run for election for this seat. Two firefighters have applied to date. The election will be held June 27, 2009 at station 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Joe will oversee the election along with Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan.

In addition, Faye Ellerkamp's term is up for an appointed trustee.

Joe Wolfe moved to submit Faye Ellerkamp's name back to the mayor for reappointment. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Tom Eifler asked the board to move the next meeting to May 7, 2009, to avoid a scheduling conflict. The May 7, 2009 date was approved.

The next board meeting will be May 7, 2009.at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Rick Tonini moved and Joe Wolfe seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:20 pm.

Chairman

Secretary

2009

April, 2009, Election Information:

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**NOTICE OF ELECTION OF
PROPERTY OWNER TRUSTEE
TO THE ST. MATTHEWS FIRE DISTRICT**

THE ST. MATTHEWS FIRE DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO KRS 75.031, HEREBY ADVERTISES THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED TO ELECT A FIREFIGHTER TRUSTEE TO ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

THE ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27th, 2009, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11:00 A.M. AND 2:00 A.M. AT STATION ONE, LOCATED AT 240 SEARS AVENUE, LOUISVILLE KY.

CANDIDATES

- NICHOLAS J. CLARK
- GREGORY M. CRABB
- DUANE S. McCUNE
- MICHAEL T. RICHARDSON

VOTERS FOR FIREFIGHTER TRUSTEE: PURSUANT TO KRS 75.031, ONLY PERSONS WHO: (A) HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED INTO MEMBERSHIP ONTO THE DEPARTMENT AS EITHER A PAID OR VOLUNTEER MEMBER; (B) HAS NOT LESS THAN 1 YEAR OF CURRENT AND CONTINUOUS SERVICE TO THE ST. MATTHEWS FIRE DISTRICT AS A FIREFIGHTER OR EMPLOYEE; (C) HAS WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTH OF THE ELECTION PARTICIPATED IN AT LEAST 75 HOURS OF ST MATTHEWS FIRE DISTRICT RECOGNIZED TRAINING AS CERTIFIED BY THE TRAINING OFFICER; (D) IS OF AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.

DISTRICT POLICY IS SUCH THAT NO ABSENTEE VOTING OR WRITE-IN VOTES SHALL BE ACCEPTED.

QUESTIONS REGARDING ELLIGIBILITY OR VOTING PROCEDURES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO A MEMBER OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE. THOSE MEMBERS ARE:

- JOE WOLFE, CHAIR
- JACK MONOHAN
- FAYE ELLERKAMP

2009

April 15, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*:



April 15, 2009

Fire heavily damages St. Matthews home

By H. Glenn Nesmith
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An early morning fire heavily damaged a two-story brick and frame home on Eline Avenue, but no one was injured, a spokesman for the St. Matthews Fire Department said.

Public information officer Rick Tonini said there was "major fire showing with flames shooting outside the windows" on the second floor when firefighters arrived shortly after the blaze was reported at 1:27 a.m.

Because firefighters had been told there was a possible rescue, he said, they quickly searched the home and determined that the owner and a woman who rented living space in the basement had both evacuated.

Tonini said the owner of the home said he had been working on the upstairs but added that it was "way too early" to say what caused the fire.

The owner said he did not want to comment early today.

Tonini said four units from the St. Matthews department and one from the McMahan Fire Department responded to the fire at 517 Eline Ave. The fire was under control at 2:04 a.m., a MetroSafe Communications supervisor said.

The unit from McMahan responded as a "rapid intervention team" to step in had firefighters from St. Matthews gotten into trouble, Tonini said, adding that almost 30 firefighters were involved at the scene.

2009

April 18, 2009: Marty Kamer, Estate Auction:



Absolute Estate Auction

Saturday April 18th 10:00 a.m.

To Settle the Estate of Marty Kamer

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Conveniently located in the heart of St. Matthews off Breckenridge Lane and just 1/4 of a block west of Browns Lane and Waggener High School.



- Charming 1 1/2 story brick Cape Cod with a large rear family room addition and 2 1/2 car garage.
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- Eat-in kitchen with refrigerator, range, and Kitchen Aid dishwasher remaining with the house.
- Large 23' x 14' family room carpeted, knotty pine walls, beautiful stained glass window and large rear picture window.
- Upstairs has two bonus rooms that have been used as bedrooms in the past (no heat vents).
- Clean partial basement with washer & dryer hookup, large work bench and storage closet.
- Super nice 2 1/2 car garage with 16' wide overhead door w/Lift Master opener, built Dec. 1998.
- This lovely home also features a brick rear patio, flower beds and mature trees.
- Property has a paved driveway, extra parking space in front, central air, and electrical breakers.

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Absolute Estate Auction

Sat., April 18th 10:00 a.m.

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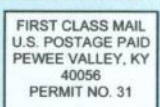
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2009

April 26 & 27, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*:

Watterson lanes back open after crash

The Courier-Journal

Police had to temporarily close the eastbound lanes of the Watterson Expressway between Westport and Shelbyville roads after a lengthy car chase this evening ended with a vehicle crashing and catching fire.

The westbound on ramp at Shelbyville Road also was shut down, and numerous police cruisers and firefighters were at the scene as of 8:05 p.m. Traffic was disrupted for more than an hour on the Watterson.

The driver of the vehicle, a Dodge Durango, was shot with a Taser gun after crashing into a wall, said Brittany Fischer, of MetroSafe Communications.

Fischer said there were no serious injuries, and the man was in custody. It was unclear if anyone else was riding in the Durango at the time of the crash.

The police pursuit originated on Preston Street, and the vehicle eventually entered the Watterson Expressway at Poplar Level Road heading eastbound.

The vehicle then traveled east on the Watterson, past the Bardstown and Shelbyville road exits, before crashing into a wall just before 8 p.m.

Watterson closed after chase ends in crash

The Courier-Journal

Police closed the eastbound lanes of the Watterson Expressway between Westport and Shelbyville roads for more than an hour last night after a cross-city car chase ended with a vehicle crashing and catching fire.

Numerous police cruisers and firefighters were called to the scene around 8 o'clock last night.

Police used a Taser on the driver of the red Dodge Durango after he crashed into a wall, said Brittany Fischer, with MetroSafe Communications.

Fischer said that there were no serious injuries, and the man was taken into custody.

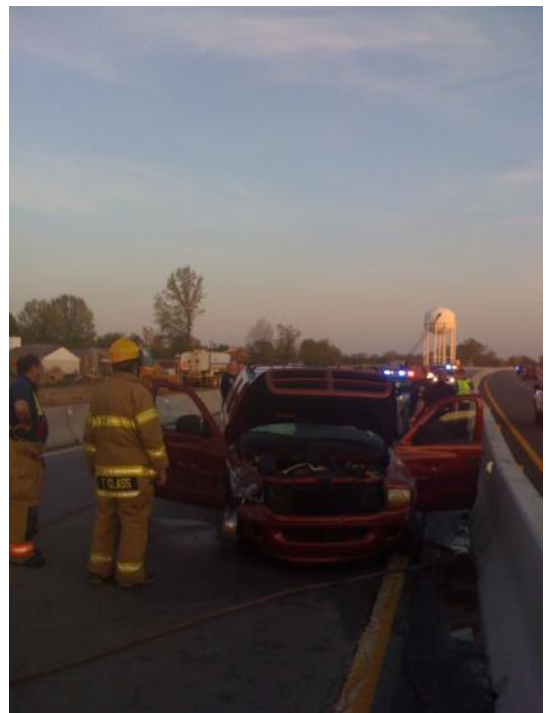
It was unclear whether anyone else was riding in the Durango at the time of the crash.

The high-speed pursuit started on Preston Street, and the vehicle eventually entered the Watterson at Poplar Level Road.

The vehicle then traveled east on the Watterson, past several exits, before it crashed into a wall just before 8 p.m.

2009

April 25 & 26, 2009, Watterson Crash:



2009

April 27, 2009

Denny L. Engnehl—Present STMFD Firefighter

Denny L. Engnehl

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ENGNEHL, DENNY L., 83, of Louisville, passed away April 27, 2009 while in Sarasota, FL. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jane Engnehl in 1987. He was an Air Force veteran of World War II and retired in 1988 from Lincoln Federal Savings and Loan, where he was a senior vice-president. He was a member of the St. Matthews Fire Department for over 60 years and recently served as their fire marshal. He was an artist who enjoyed woodcarving, drawing and model railroading. He is survived by a son, Michael Engnehl of Victoria, VA; a daughter, Dee Bickel, of Sarasota; a sister Maragaret Green, of Louisville; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m.-noon Friday at Pearson's, 149 Breckenridge Lane. In lieu of flowers contributions may go to the Crusade for Children in care of the St. Matthews Fire Department.



ST. MATTHEWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Home		Full Name: Denny Engnehl
Command Staff		3/19/26 - 4/27/09
Department History		Current Rank in FD: Marshall
Education and Prevention		Years in Fire Service: 59
Photographs		Years at St. Matthews 59
Downloads & Activities		

On April 27th the St. Matthews Fire District lost a long time member. Denny Engnehl served as a volunteer with the department since August 1, 1949, and was due to receive his 60th anniversary award from the department in just a few months. The past twenty plus years Denny has served the department as a Marshall helping out on fire scenes giving water to firefighters and doing anything he could to help support the active members. Before his sickness Denny could always be seen on Tuesday night trainings and responding to the station on most fire runs. His contribution to the fire department will be deeply missed.

2009

April, 2009, Incident Report:

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
111 Building fire	3	2.91%	\$0	0.00%
116 Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
131 Passenger vehicle fire	2	1.94%	\$500	100.00%
140 Natural vegetation fire, Other	3	2.91%	\$0	0.00%
142 Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
	10	9.70%	\$500	100.00%
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	3	2.91%	\$0	0.00%
3116 Medical assist, cancelled by squad after	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
331 Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	3	2.91%	\$0	0.00%
353 Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
	9	8.73%	\$0	0.00%
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
442 Overheated motor	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
444 Power line down	2	1.94%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	13	12.62%	\$0	0.00%
	17	16.50%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
510 Person in distress, Other	2	1.94%	\$0	0.00%
511 Lock-out	3	2.91%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
554 Assist invalid	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
561 Unauthorized burning	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
	8	7.76%	\$0	0.00%
6 Good Intent Call				
600 Good intent call, Other	6	5.82%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	16	15.53%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	7	6.79%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	3	2.91%	\$0	0.00%
652 Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be	2	1.94%	\$0	0.00%
Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
	34	33.00%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	4	3.88%	\$0	0.00%
714 Central station, malicious false alarm	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	2	1.94%	\$0	0.00%
734 Heat detector activation due to malfunction	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	4	3.88%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	7	6.79%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	2	1.94%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	2	1.94%	\$0	0.00%
	24	23.30%	\$0	0.00%
8 Severe Weather & Natural Disaster				
815 Severe weather or natural disaster standby	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%
	1	0.97%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 103

Total Est Loss:

\$500

2009

May 1, 2009:

Herbert L. Chreste—former STMFD firefighter

Herbert L. "Herb" Chreste

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CHRESTE, HERBERT L. "HERB," 66, of Crestwood, KY passed away May 1, 2009, surrounded by his family. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, friend and businessman. He was born in Louisville on January 5, 1943, the son of Anne (Schreiber) Chreste and Gaylord L. Chreste, who preceded him in death. He was a graduate of Waggener High School (1961) and Bellarmine College (1965). He was the past owner and president of The Chreste Co., Inc., general contractor. He built many fine homes and remodeled many homes and businesses over the past 35 years. He demanded and showed meticulous quality for his clients. He was a member of Home Builders of Louisville, Remodelers Council, as well as the National Builders/Remodelers. He had a great passion for his Austin Healey and enjoyed being an avid member of the Austin Healey Bluegrass

Club, where he was a board member. He was a lieutenant on the St. Matthews Fire Dept. and a Kentucky Colonel. He is survived by the loves of his life, his wife of 44 years, Bonnie Brotzge Chreste; daughters, Debbie Landers (Paul) of Cincinnati, OH, Dawn Bow (Eric) of Louisville; and son, Dan Chreste of Fisherville KY, who succeeds him in the business. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Faith, Austin, Sydney, Zachery, Ethan and Payton; as well as his brother Gerald Chreste (Diana) of Louisville, a brother-in-law, Larry Brotzge (Pat) of Malvern, PA; and several nieces, a nephew, and their families. Herb will leave an empty space in his home and in the hearts of those who loved him. However, in time precious memories will fill up those spaces and we will come to realize that he is gone to be with God in a better place where he has been set free of pain and suffering. The family would like to express the deepest appreciation and gratitude to Dr. John Huber, Dr. Byron Morgan and Dr. Kerry Short. Funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 5, 2009, at Pearson Ratterman Brothers Funeral Home, 12900 Shelbyville Road. Burial will be at Cave Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 3-8 p.m. Monday, May 4, 2009, and 9:30 a.m. until service time Tuesday, May 5, 2009, at the funeral home. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Hosparus of Louisville.

2009

May 4, 2009, Letter:

*Smoke Detectors
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**William J. Seng
Fire Chief**

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Jack Monohan
Faye Ellerkamp

To: All Trustees
From: William J. Seng
Date: May 4, 2009
Re: District Activity

- ✓ Please be aware that the May Trustees meeting has been rescheduled for this Thursday, May 7th at 5:30pm. *changed to 5:00*
- ✓ I mentioned to you all last week by e-mail that Denny Engnehl passed away and that we were waiting on funeral arrangements before we made any decisions here at St. Matthews. As it turns out, there is a big family squabble going on with Denny's son and daughter about funeral arrangements. So as it stands now, there are no funeral plans for Denny and we have not planned anything here at St. Matthews. We will possibly try to do some sort of memorial at the August reunion this summer.
- ✓ Another former member just recently passed away and was listed in Saturday's obituaries. Herb Chreste was a member sometime back in the late sixties. Jack Monohan may be able to give us some more information about Mr. Chreste at the Trustees meeting.
- ✓ Firefighter Tom Marshall is expected to return back to work sometime around the first of June, after being off work for several months due to shoulder surgery. However, another firefighter Captain Larry Heaphy just hurt his knee during the morning workouts and will be out of work possibly several months. Larry's doctor told him that he has an apparent ACL tear and will be required to have surgery to repair it. I will make more details available at the meeting on Thursday.
- ✓ The fire department physical fitness program is starting a new phase this month where everyone will be participating in a Weight Meltdown Program. In this program everyone involved will be trying to lose weight and reach their desired weight loss goals. The person who loses the most percentage of weight will win a monetary prize at the end of the contest.
- ✓ The Harrods Creek Fire Protection District wants to sponsor a seminar that brings the IAFC and the IAFF into the Jefferson County Fire Service to discuss labor relations. This is not an attempt to start a local organization but an opportunity to start off on the right foot if labor organizations are ever legally recognized in Chapter 75 fire protection districts. Please see the enclosed info sheet.
- ✓ Also enclosed you will find Tim Eifler's motion for discretionary review that was filed with the KY Supreme Court. The motion asks the KY Supreme Court to review the Court of Appeals' decision and outlines the reasons why the review should be granted. The defendants have 30 days to file a response.
- ✓ Inside your packet you should also find a proposed budget that we will be talking about during the meeting Thursday. Please refer to the titles above each category of each spreadsheet. One category shows what the budget looks like if there were not a raise in salaries and another category shows what happens to the budget if a 2% raise in salaries is given. If you have any questions or problems understanding the worksheet please do not hesitate giving me a call.
- ✓ Four members from the apparatus committee will be traveling to Pierce on May 19th for three days to look over the construction of the new aerial ladder. Pierce called early last week to let us know that they are ahead of schedule and should have the apparatus ready for delivery around mid June instead of late July. We should also finalize at this meeting the method of payment for the truck before it is completed and ready for delivery.
- ✓ Truck 2653, the 1986 100' Seagrave aerial ladder is out of service and has been taken to the shop for service. It is experiencing some suspension issues and should be back by the end of the week. *(Back In Service)*
- ✓ Starting May 17th you may notice some operational changes to the radio system when listening to your pager. On May 17th Fire Channel One will become a low priority operation channel for all fire districts in Jefferson County. If the incident is of a medium priority or larger, radio will reassign you to a different operational channel so that you will have a secure channel all by yourself. I have enclosed an informational sheet for your review so that you may have a better understanding of how things will be changing on May 17th. By the way, the reason for the change is for a more efficient operation on all radio channels. Do you believe it?

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
May 7, 2009

- I. ✓ Call to Order *7:00*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report *APPROVED*
✓ (a) Budget discussion
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
- V. ✓ Old Business
(a) Reunion Committee
(b) CRC - Discussion *NO REPORT*
I.S.D. will DO A REVIEW JUNE/July
- VI. ✓ New Business
(a) Election Committee – Wolfe
Date June 27 – Time 11 am – 2 pm – Place – Station 1
- VII. Executive Session – If needed.
- VIII. The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on June 18, 2009 at 7:00 pm – Lyndon Fire Department
- IX. The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on June 11, 2009 - Thursday

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting:

PRV

Minutes of the Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

May 7, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on May 7, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Faye Ellerkamp, Joe Wolfe, Jim Graven, and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Dave Dugan, Tony Glass, Moss Clore, Patrick Montague, Joe Bewley, Sam McCune and Michael Monohan.

Minutes

The minutes of the April 9, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Rick Tonini moved; Jack Monohan seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for April was \$4.13.

After 10 months of the fiscal year, the finances are still in excellent shape. The district has now received 95.054% of the expected revenue. Through 10 months, expenses have run 81.12% of the budgeted amount. Total income should come in very close to the budget even with the down economy. Overall expenses should fall within the budget, but Chief Seng expects overtime to run about 10% over budget.

Rick Tonini moved to approve the treasurer's report. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

2009-2010 Budget

Chief Seng presented a proposed budget for the upcoming 2009-2010 fiscal year. Revenue increases are projected to be lower than in past years due to the economy. The proposed budget included a 2% raise for all employees and in reimbursement for volunteers, \$60,144 for capital projects, \$47,182 in reserve, \$100,000 for apparatus replacement and \$36,000 to continue the physical fitness program. The largest area of added expenses was health insurance and the

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting:

CERS retirement payments. The board discussed all of these areas with Chief Seng. After the discussion John Volkerding, moved to approve the budget as presented with a 2% salary increase for all employees and in volunteer reimbursement. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

Marshal Denny Engnehl passed away in Florida while staying with his daughter. The family is not planning a funeral, but may have a short visitation at an undecided date.

Our 1931 Seagrave Engine, "Betsy" had the broken a drive axle repaired, but now is awaiting the starter to be repaired. It should be running again soon.

Firefighter Tom Marshall expects to return to work around June 1.

Captain Larry Heaphy injured the ACL in his knee while doing physical fitness training on duty. The doctors are still trying to determine how long he will be off, but it is expected to be long term. Sergeant Charles McCune will replace Larry on his shift when Tom Marshall returns to work. Overtime will be used to replace Larry until that date.

The fitness training program has now started a new phase with a goal of more weight loss. There will be a monetary prize for the firefighter who loses the most weight.

Four members of the Apparatus Committee will be traveling back to Pierce to inspect the new aerial ladder truck. The truck is expected to be about 90% complete at this time and will be inspected to make sure it is built according to our spec. The final acceptance inspection is projected to be the week of June 8 with delivery to follow once the truck is accepted.

Starting May 17th radio operations in Jefferson County will be changed. Dispatches will remain as always, but all non-priority and single company runs will be on fire 1. Any run that is dispatched as a fire will be assigned to Fire 2, 3 or 4 for operations as needed. This plan is to work out issues before the new Metro Radio System will be implemented.

The Harrods Creek Fire District wants to sponsor a seminar that brings IAFC and the IAFF into Jefferson County to discuss labor relations. This is not an attempt to start a local organization but will be used to start off on the right foot if labor organizations are ever legally recognized by Chapter 75 fire districts. The board discussed this idea with Chief Seng and decided not to participate in the seminar.

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting:

The WHAS Crusade for Children will be June 2 through 7. The District plans to collect money as always, but will make some major changes in our collection efforts due to man power shortages and far fewer volunteers than when our collection processes began. Many of the other East end districts have been changing as well. The plan is still a work in progress and our collection total is expected to be less this year.

A motion has been filed with the Kentucky Supreme Court to do a discretionary review of our case has been made by Tim Eifler and Walter Sales our attorneys.

ISO has notified the District that they plan to review our operations sometime around mid summer. Chief Seng has asked that this inspection be done in July after the new truck is in service.

Chief Seng asked the board to approve hiring a summer intern again this summer to help with extra work and man the truck during the many vacations. Jack Monohan moved to approve hiring a summer intern. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The Duncan House has been sold. The District is expected to share in the sale revenues with the Louisville Fire Department and the North Oldham Fire District. The amount and timetable are unknown at this time.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for May 2009.

With the new truck's arrival expected in early June, the new tools and equipment for the truck needs to be ordered to coincide with the arrival of the truck so it be put in service. The equipment budget was projected to be \$73,000 and the majority of the equipment is being purchased under Louisville Metro contract pricing. Joe Wolfe moved to approve up to \$69,863.00 for equipment for the new truck. Jim Graven seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Jack Monohan reported that the Reunion Committee is working on the final plans for this summer's event.

New Business

Joe Wolfe reported on the upcoming trustee election. Four career firefighters have applied for this position. The firefighters are Nick Clark, Sam McCune, Mike Richardson and Greg Crabb. The election will be held June 27, 2009 at station 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Joe will oversee the election along with Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan.

Rick Tonini informed the board that the St. Matthews Police Department may be interested in some of the surplus equipment on 2653 when it becomes available.

The next board meeting will be June 11, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Joe Wolfe moved and Jack Monohan seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:19 pm.

Chairman

Secretary

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting: Election Committee

Election Committee Report
May 7, 2009

The notice of election for the firefighter's trustee position was initially given about April 15. Methods used were public announcement at the employee meeting and on at least 2 occasions on training nights. Also 2 emails were sent out to that effect. I am confident that all interested parties received notification.

Nominations closed Friday, May 1st at noon. Four nomination forms were received. All applicants comply with the requirements for firefighter trustee by KRS 75. Those qualifications being as follows;

- Citizen of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
- 21 years of age or older
- Active firefighter of the District

Valid nomination forms were received from the following individuals who shall be included on the official ballot:

1. Sgt. Nicholas J. Clark
2. Sgt. Gregory M. Crabb
3. F.F. Duane S. McCune
4. Capt. Michael T. Richardson

The election date is stipulated by KRS 75 as the fourth Saturday in June from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Accordingly, the election will be held on June 27th.

KRS requires that notice of election be given to eligible voters at least 30 days prior to the election. In firefighter elections it is acceptable to notify voters via 1st class mail. Notices will be placed in the mail on May 13th which is plenty of time to comply.

All active members and employee of the District are eligible to vote in the election. Active members are persons who have completed one year of service and have participated in at least 75 hours of District training. A list of eligible voters shall be produced and available to the Trustees responsible for officiating the election.

Ballots and voter registration forms will be prepared by the election committee and the election will be overseen by the members of the election committee. Those members are Trustee Faye Ellerkamp, Trustee Jack Monohan, and Trustee Joe Wolfe.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Wolfe
Election Committee Chair

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting: Discussed Budget

St. Matthews Fire Protection District
2009 - 2010
Budget

Revenues

Real Property Tax	2,976,000
Pers Property Tax	178,000
Incentive Pay	93,000
Tangible Property Tax	245,000
Incentive Pension	28,000
CRC	10,000
Cell Tower Income	22,200
Interest	33,000
Hydrant Testing	6,500
Total	3,591,700

Expenses

Gross Pay ^{+ 210}	1,458,893
OT/Runs	210,000
Incentive	93,000

Total 1,761,893

FICA	134,785
Health Insurance	247,200
Life Insurance	7,500
Dental Insurance	22,000
CERS	580,896
Worker Compensation	65,000
Volunteer Reimbursement	30,000
Physicals	15,000
Uniforms	14,000
Turnout	26,500
Recreation	25,000
Training	40,000
Education	20,000
Employee Assistance Program	1,600
Certifications/Recertification	1,000
Fuel	32,000
Maintenance	64,000
Equipment	23,000
EMT - D	5,000
SCBA	2,500
Utilities	50,000
Computer	8,000
Building	35,000

St. Matthews Fire Protection District
2009 - 2010
Budget

Phones	20,000
Radio Repair	8,700
Acct/Audit	12,500
Legal	15,000
Legal Advertising	1,000
Data Processing	7,000
Insurance	47,500
Postage	600
Office Supplies	8,700
Public Education	4,200
Tax Rolls	500
Trustee Fees	1,800
Membership Fees	3,000
Trustees Assoc.	3,000
Legislative Rep	3,000
Physical Fitness	36,000

Sub-Total 3,384,374

Capital	60,144
Apparatus Replacement	100,000
Reserve	47,182

Total Budget 3,591,700

Total Income 3,591,700

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting:

2659 Equipment Order—Pierce

NFPA 1901

- 2 6 lb flathead axes
- 3 6 lb pickhead axes
- 4 pike poles
- 2 4' plaster hooks w/D handles
- 2 crow bars
- 2 12 lb sledgehammers
- 4 Flashlights
- 4 portable floodlights
- 1 scba per seat
- 1 spare cylinder per scba
- 1 first kit
- 6 12' x 18' salvage tarps
- 4 5" spanners
- 1 150' light use life safety rope
- 1 150' general use life safety rope
- 2 150' utility ropes
- 1 tool box w/ assorted tools
- 2 wheel chocks
- 5 highway flares



X



X



- 8 ground ladders

- 1 TIC T3 Max



- 2 HG2 550i portable generator



- 1 promax 24



- 1 maul set



PIERCE

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300

- 2 NY roof hooks



- 1 12 AMP sawsall



- 1 7 1/4 circular saw



- 1 1/2 drill



- 1 electric saw



- 1 hot stick



- 1 6' fiberglass step ladder



- 1 4' fiberglass step ladder

- 1 DBU31 power unit



- 2 16' Core hydraulic hoses




















- 1 4242 spreaders



250
200
178
124
128
299
300
125
100
7,745
1,154
5,325

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting: 2659 Equipment Order—Pierce

1 4050 cutters		4,881	1 575XT vent saw		1,575.00
1 HCT 3120 combination tool		4,253	1 24" electric blower VSX		1,875.00
2 HLB 20 air bag		1,726	1 20" chainsaw		450
1 3005 mini cutter		2,506	7 traffic vests		300
10 28" traffic cones		150	2 2 1/2 gallon water extinguisher		240
1 4' TNT Denver tool		210	2 dry chemical extinguishers 80 BC w/brackets		320
2 9430 remote area lighting system		1,400	1 36" bolt cutters		70
1 396K cut off saw w/roof blade		1,250.00	2 bottle jacks		200
1 396 cut off saw w/all purpose		1,250.00			

2009

May 7, 2009, Trustee meeting: 2659 Equipment Order—Pierce

4 squeegees w/handles



140

2 push brooms w/handles



60

1 AED Lifepak 1000



2,250

2 scoop shovels



80

1 Come along & chains



1,100.00

1 angled grinder



82

1 Chimney snuffer set



475

1 Rescue jack system



5,220

1 Stokes basket system



1,500

6 ladder belts w/extensions
2sm, 2med, 2large



800.00

1 Metal & Masonry blade



400

1 Wood, Asphalt, Fiberglass blade



400

1 Single gas detector



195

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JEFFERSON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICTS FIRE DISPATCH STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

Re-deployment of Radio Channels:

- I. The Jefferson County Fire Districts Fire Dispatch Standard Operating Procedures is modified as followed. *This change is effective at 0800 on May 17, 2009.*

There will be a 60 day evaluation of this change. Should issues arise, the Best Practices Committee may make adjustments, or even abandonment, as necessary.

Primary Operations Channel:

Fire One (154.250) shall be the Primary Operations Channel.

The Primary Operations Channel shall be used for Low Priority incidents (such as single company response incidents).

Fire districts shall have their radios set on Fire One unless they are directed by Radio to use another Fire Operations Channel. The alert tone ("Sputnik") preceding incident dispatches, will occur only on Fire One.

General communications, such as the reporting of motor vehicle accidents that are "happened upon" by fire units, shall take place on the Primary Operations Channel.

Secondary Operations Channels:

Fire Two (154.370), Fire Three (154.160) and Fire Four (154.400) will be Secondary Operations Channels.

Secondary Operations Channels shall be used for High Priority incidents. Examples of high priority incidents are structure fires, Level II or Level III Hazardous Materials Incidents (this does NOT include mitigations), and alarm sounding incidents. An incident to which three (3) or more companies respond should be considered as a high priority incident.

When radio dispatches a fire district to a high priority incident, radio shall assign the incident to an available Secondary Operations Channel and instruct responding units to use the assigned channel.

Secondary Operations Channels shall be presumed as "secured channels". Unless a unit has been directed by radio to use a secondary channel, units shall not make transmissions on Secondary Operations Channels. (Testing may take place on Secondary Operations Channels when they are not in use at an incident).

Medium Priority Incidents:

The assignment of an operations channel for use at medium priority incidents (such as auto accident rescues) would be a judgment call made at the time of the incident. Radio can assign a medium priority incident to a Secondary Operations Channel upon dispatch or the Incident Commander may request assignment to a Secondary Operations Channel.

Factors to consider are the number of on-going incidents assigned to the Primary Operations Channel, or whether the incident would require numerous radio transmissions.

Request to use a Secondary Operations Channel:

An Incident Commander always has the discretion to request that an incident be assigned to a Secondary Operations Channel, should he anticipate numerous radio transmissions.

Mutual Aid Channel:

The Mutual Aid Channel may continue to be used to obtain times and run numbers from Radio. When this will occur, Radio shall be first requested/directed to switch to the Mutual Aid Channel.

The Mutual Aid Channel will also be available for use at special details as well as landing zone coordination for medical helicopters.

Other:

When units are directed to use a Secondary Operations Channel, a unit *need not* inform Radio on the Primary Operations Channel that it will be switching to the assigned channel.

When a unit has concluded its involvement at an incident to which a Secondary Operations Channel has been assigned, it shall inform Radio on the assigned channel that it is available. The unit shall then resume monitoring the Primary Operations Channel. The unit need not report to radio it is back on the Primary Operations Channel. The apparatus officer has the responsibility to assure the apparatus radio and all associated portable radios have been re-set to the Primary Operations Channel.

2009

May 11, 2009, Spring Recruit Class:



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May 11, 2009, Spring Recruit Class:



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May 11, 2009, Spring Recruit Class:



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May 11, 2009, Spring Recruit Class:



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May, 2009, Incident Report:

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {05/01/2009} And {05/31/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
100 Fire, Other	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
111 Building fire	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
114 Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
140 Natural vegetation fire, Other	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
	6	7.05%	\$0	0.00%
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
300 Rescue, EMS incident, other	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	8	9.41%	\$0	0.00%
3117 Medical assist, assist EMS crew No Patient	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
331 Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
	16	18.82%	\$0	0.00%
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
411 Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
413 Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
422 Chemical spill or leak	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
424 Carbon monoxide incident	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
443 Breakdown of light ballast	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
445 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
460 Accident, potential accident, Other	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
	15	17.64%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
510 Person in distress, Other	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
511 Lock-out	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
5 Good Intent Call				
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	9	10.58%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
	11	12.94%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	3	3.52%	\$0	0.00%
714 Central station, malicious false alarm	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
730 System malfunction, Other	3	3.52%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	9	10.58%	\$0	0.00%
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	7	8.23%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
	32	37.64%	\$0	0.00%
3 Severe Weather & Natural Disaster				
314 Lightning strike (no fire)	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
Total Incident Count:	85		Total Est Loss:	\$0

2009

June 1, 2009, Letter:



LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

JERRY E. ABRAMSON
MAYOR

June 1, 2009

Ms. Faye Ellerkamp
703 Merrifield Road
Louisville, KY 40207

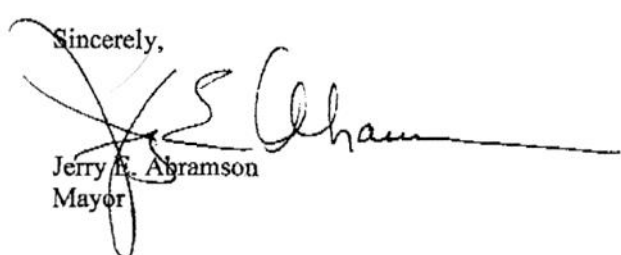
Dear Ms. Ellerkamp:

Please consider this letter as official notification of your re-appointment to the St. Matthews Fire District Board. Your term is effective immediately and will expire on June 30, 2012. I am confident that you will bring the energy, ideas and the leadership needed for this board/commission and I truly appreciate your willingness to serve our community.

I recognize the importance of the Jefferson County Fire Trustee's Association, whose sole function is to help solicit the coordination, cooperation, and communication of all Suburban Fire Districts. As my appointed member of this Fire District board, I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities that are offered by this organization, including your attendance at their bi-monthly meetings.

Thank you for your willingness to serve the community.

Sincerely,


Jerry E. Abramson
Mayor

JEA/raw

✓ Cc: Terri Livers

2009

June 6, 2009, Frankfort Avenue Extrication:



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2009 Pierce Trip, June 8-9, 2009:



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2659



Model: 100' HD Tractor-Drawn Aerial

Sales Organization: Finley Fire Equipment Co. Inc.

Department: St. Matthews Fire District. St. Matthews, KY

Job Number: 21948

Category: Aerials

Chassis: Arrow XT™

Body: 100' Super Heavy Duty Ladder

Overall Height: 11' 2"

Engine: Cummins ISM

Horse Power: 500

Generator: Harrison hydraulic

Generator KW: 10

Safety: Command Zone™, Tire Protection System, Electronic Stability Control, TAK-4® independent front suspension, Hands-Free SCBA Brackets

Lighting: 3 floodlights each side, 2 on the front, 1 to the rear Whelen LED warning lights

Storage: 14 Compartments with roll up doors

Key Features: Remote Winch under front bumper, basket & roof ladder on aerial

2009

June, 2009 Crusade for Children:

2009 Crusade for Children Donation Talley

Event	Tuesday Night	Wed. Night	Thursday Night	Friday night	Saturday Roadblock	Sunday Roadblock	Totals
2631	\$2,919.56	\$2,896.10	\$1,959.84	\$1,078.92	1,970.88	4,281.42	\$15,106.72
2633	\$2,107.58	\$1,386.49					\$3,494.07
2634	\$2,562.46	\$2,879.20	\$4,004.92				\$9,446.58
2653							
2691							
2658	\$1,749.54	\$4,009.32	\$2,356.83	\$1,182.34	2,071.12	1,502.06	\$12,871.21
2694							
2612			\$468.39		670.00		\$1,138.39
2692							
Misc					\$ 14,922.74	\$ 142.98	\$15,065.72
Session Total	\$9,339.14	\$11,171.11	\$8,789.98	\$2,261.26	\$19,634.74	\$5,926.46	\$57,122.69
Last Year	\$9,750.04	\$6,491.02	\$6,359.66	\$11,813.14	\$36,569.27	\$2,418.13	\$73,401.26
Difference	\$410.90	\$4,680.09	\$2,430.32	\$9,551.88	\$16,934.53	\$3,508.33	\$16,278.57

June 8, 2009, *The Courier Journal*:

Gifts grow despite tough times

Caring and sharing still strong, firefighters, others find

By Gregory A. Hall
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The steadfast commitment of firefighters and numerous others throughout Kentucky and Southern Indiana — giving to and collecting for the WHAS Crusade for Children — paid off again last night for the area's special-needs children.

The 56th annual Crusade raised \$5,289,841, up slightly from last year's \$5,249,094, despite an economy that had Crusade officials bracing for a decrease even as they received 202 requests for aid totaling \$11 million.

"In these tough economic times, people still gave from the heart," said McMahan Fire Chief Paul Barth, the chairman of the Crusade board who participated in his 50th Crusade.

"My heart is warmed by the people in this community who dug deep," said Dawn Lee, the first-year executive director.

The largest contributions from fire departments were Pleasure Ridge Park, \$269,472; Fern Creek, \$231,580; McMahan, \$154,755.30; Highview, \$140,177.69; and Zoneton, \$101,252.

The total from Zoneton, in Bullitt County, represented the first time a department outside Jefferson County reached six figures, Crusade officials said.

Among the largest nonfire department contributors were the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Louisville, \$215,500; LG&E/EON-US, \$167,501; Kroger Stores, \$153,248.67; Norton Healthcare, \$139,167.23; and the Louisville Triple Crown of Running, \$128,880.

"It's such a wonderful community effort where everybody comes together," retired executive director Bud Harbsmeier said, reflecting on the effort before the total was announced.

"Here we've got the lousiest economy we've had in 25 years and ... there have been so many departments up that you've got to be optimistic."

Participants at the station's Chestnut Street studio ran the gamut of Crusade experience.

Five-month-old Alyssa Priddy took part in her first Crusade, sort of, resting on her mother's shoulder.

"She was here last year," her mother, Dana Priddy, said inside the downtown television studio. "I just didn't know I was pregnant yet."

Alyssa's father, Pleasure Ridge Park Fire Sgt. Gerald Priddy, who has collected for more than 30 years, said he's grateful for the good fortune of his children.

"I don't do it because I feel like I have to," he said. "It's just something I want to do. ... There are some people in our district, some of our firefighters' children, who do use the services of the Crusade. You know, it just kind of makes you want to get out there and do it a little bit more."

The Crusade also was the first of sorts for Joseph Kurtz in his second year as Roman Catholic archbishop of Louisville. He was out of the country last year, and retired Archbishop Thomas Kelly

stood in.

Before announcing the archdiocese's total, Kurtz said he has quickly realized the Crusade's importance.

"The Crusade is enmeshed into the fabric of our community," he said. "There is nobody that I know who doesn't know about the Crusade for Children. It's an integral part of our parish structure."

Kathy Kerpestein, of Anchorage, took photos of her son, Peter, a 13-year-old with William's syndrome who has benefited from the Crusade, standing in front of a television camera yesterday as the Anchorage Fire Department collections were announced.

She said it was their second year at the studio.

"Last year we made the mistake of planning vacation this week in June, and Peter let us know that he was not pleased," Kerpestein said. "We didn't make that mistake again this year. ... We won't miss it again."

At the other end of the Crusade spectrum was Harbsmeier, who retired as executive director nine years ago, "but I've been coming back every year."

He said he remains involved with the Crusade through the Highview Fire Department, where he is a board member.

Harbsmeier reflected on changes through the years, such as the old tote board that was a "hand-me-down" from Churchill Downs that only had enough digits for \$999,999.

This was Harbsmeier's 44th Crusade — he thinks. Sitting in a chair at the back of the WHAS studio, he spoke with his current successor, Dawn Lee.

"My big question is, 'Do you want to go through a second Crusade,' " he said.

Lee answered enthusiastically in the affirmative, with the realization that "in 10 years, I'll still be the new kid."

Reporter Gregory A. Hall can be reached at (502) 582-4087.

2009

June 8 & 9, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*:

Apartment fire reported in Lyndon

The Courier-Journal

Firefighters are on the scene of a fire at an apartment complex in Lyndon, a MetroSafe Communications supervisor said.

She said EMS was responding to the scene in the 8000 block of Copper Creek Drive just off of Whipps Mill Road, but she did not know if there had been any reports of rescue or injuries.

The report came in to emergency crews about 9:07 a.m.

No further details were immediately available.

Two firefighters overcome in apartment blaze

The Courier-Journal

Two firefighters were overcome by heat exhaustion while fighting a fire at the Camden Brookside Apartments this morning.

One of the firefighters was transported to University Hospital for treatment; the other was treated at the scene of Whipps Mill Road in Lyndon, said Maj. John Stich of the Lyndon Fire Department.

There were no other reports of injuries or rescues connected with the fire, which was limited to one building containing eight units.

Arson investigators are on the scene trying to determine a cause, which is normal procedure.

Emergency crews first received a report of the fire in the 8000 block of Copper Creek Drive at 9:07, a supervisor with MetroSafe Communications said.

Two firefighters overcome in blaze

Morning fire damages 16 units at complex

By Chris Quay

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Two firefighters were overcome by heat exhaustion while fighting a fire that damaged more than a dozen units at the Camden Brookside Apartments off Whipps Mill Road yesterday morning.

One firefighter was taken to University Hospital, and the other was treated at the scene, in the 8200 block of Copper Creek Drive, said Maj. John Stich of the Lyndon Fire Department.

Stich said no other injuries were reported, but eight apartments were severely damaged, displacing an unknown number of residents. Eight other apartments had smoke and water damage, but Stich did not know if any of them were vacant.

He said the cause of the fire is under investigation and the Louisville Fire & Rescue arson squad was called to the scene, which is standard procedure.

When firefighters arrived on the scene, there was heavy fire on the first and second floors, and it quickly spread to the attic, Stich said. Firefighters had trouble dousing the flames with hoses from the ground, so everyone was evacuated from the building and water was sprayed onto the fire from aerial ladders.

The Lyndon, St. Matthews and Middletown departments responded to the fire. Stich said it took about 40 minutes to get the blaze under control.

More than an hour after the fire began, smoke continued to billow and flames could still be seen coming from the edges of the roof.

Portions of the roof collapsed and the front of the building near an open-air hallway was charred.

Ginny Hobbs lived in a second-floor apartment that was destroyed.

"I was sitting down to read my Bible and I smelled smoke," she said. "I couldn't see the fire, but I heard someone banging on the doors downstairs."

She said a woman who lived in another building saw the fire and alerted other residents to get out of the building. Hobbs said that minutes after she left the building, fire could be seen moving up onto the second floor and into the attic before the entire middle portion of the building was engulfed.

Stich said the fire was reported about 9:05 a.m.



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June 8, 2009, Later *The Courier-Journal* report: Two Firefighters overcome in apartment blaze



A person being evacuated from the fire scene at the Camden Brookside apartments on Cooper Creek Dr. The fire was at 8233-8263 Cooper Creek Drive. Both St. Matthews and Lyndon fire departments responded. (by Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



Fire scene at the Camden Brookside apartments on Cooper Creek Dr. The fire was at 8233-8263 Cooper Creek Drive. Both St. Matthews and Lyndon fire departments responded. (by Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



A firefighter hosed down a hot spot at the scene. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



Fire fighter at the Camden Brookside apartments on Cooper Creek Dr. The fire was at 8233-8263 Cooper Creek Drive. Both St. Matthews and Lyndon fire departments responded. (by Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



Scene of an apartment fire at the Camden Brookside apartments. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009

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A resident held her dog at the scene of an apartment fire at the Camden Brookside apartments. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



Firefighters at the scene. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



Firefighters at the scene. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



A firefighter was transported from the scene. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009



A resident looked from her balcony at the Camden Brookside apartments fire on Copper Creek Drive. (By Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal) June 8, 2009

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June 8, 2009, Camden Brookside apartment fire—photos from LF&R



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June 8, 2009, Camden Brookside apartment fire—photos from LF&R



2009

June 11, 2009, Letter:

*Smoke Detectors
Save Lives*



*Learn Not
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To: All Trustees
From: William J. Seng, Fire Chief
Re: District Activity
Date: June 11, 2009

Sorry for the delayed report but I have been under the weather for the last three days!

The 2009 WHAS Crusade for Children is over and we feel as if we had a really successful year! Although the total collection of \$57,122 is down a little from last year we had a great time with all of the Boy Scouts from Our Lady of Lourdes who have been helping us now for the past seven years! Hats off again to Marshal John Volkerding for doing another excellent job of making the whole thing come together!

Currently all of our fire apparatus is working and online as we speak. The annual pump testing started to take place today and should be finished by the end of the week.

The new 2009 Tractor Drawn Pierce Aerial Ladder "2659" is just about ready and should be delivered on Monday June 15th. Assistant Chief Monohan, Major Dugan, Sergeant McCune, and Marshal Volkerding just returned from the plant yesterday making sure all the final details on the truck have been worked out. It should take about two to three weeks of work here at the station to get all of the hand tools and equipment mounted before the truck actually goes into service. Financing and matching FEMA, AFG grant money will be discussed at tonight's meeting along with a report from the Chairman of the Apparatus Committee.

The new intern for this summer is Adam Hanrahan. Adam is a 26 year old recent graduate from Virginia Technical College who also grew up in Roanoke, Virginia. Adam is getting married October 17th of this year.

Assistant Chief Monohan and myself will be attending the Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs Conference starting next Wednesday through the following Saturday. While we are gone Major Dave Dugan will be riding as Acting Fire Chief. As always, if you need to get in touch with any of us we will be accessible by cell phone.

It has been since 1996 when we last had our ISO review. We are currently scheduled to be reviewed on July 15th. The whole process should take about two days to complete. The three main things they look for is personnel, water flow (fire hydrants), and training, all of which we should be in good standing.

The alumni group is still going strong and is meeting about once a month. The current plan is still to hold a public open house at Station One on August 8th from 3pm to 4pm. After the open house is finished, there will be an Alumni Party across the street in the Steepleton parking lot. The street will be closed and there should be a large antique apparatus display at the same time.

I have been asked by FEMA to sit in on the AFG Grant review team in Washington, DC again this year. I will be leaving on Sunday, July 5th and returning on Friday, July 9th. Who knows, maybe this will help us secure another grant this year.

Just to let you know that Faye's reappointment from Mayor Jerry Abramson's office has come through last week, a copy of which is enclosed.

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June 11, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
June 11, 2009

ABSENT

- I. ✓ Call to Order *5:15*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report
 - (a) Budget & Tax Rates *SET TAX RATE IN JULY*
 - (b) Audit *GET ANOTHER QUOTE - NOW ONLY ONE BID @ 10,000. + 600. FILING = 10600.*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - (a) Update New Truck *SEE PICTURES*
 - (b) Approval - Physical Fitness Contract *NEW RADIO SYSTEM CHANGE OVER ON SCH.*
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - (a) Reunion Committee - Monohan *ALL GOING OK. ROAD WORK / CLOSING?*
- VI. ✓ New Business
 - (a) Election Committee - Wolfe
Date June 27 - Time 11 am - 2 pm - Place - Station 1
- VII. ✓ Executive Session - If needed. *NONE REQ'D.*
- VIII. ✓ The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on June 18, 2009 at 7:00 pm - Lyndon Fire Department *TONINI WILL ATTEND*
- IX. ✓ The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on July 9, 2009 - Thursday *5:30*

2009

June 11, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

June 11, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on June 11, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:15 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Jim Graven, and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan, Mike Frantz and Greg Crabb.

Minutes

The minutes of the May 7, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan moved; Rick Tonini seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for May was \$1,414.60. The total includes money from both April and May. Overall CRC revenue is up \$2,230.06 over the budget projection.

After 11 months of the fiscal year, the finances are in excellent shape. The District has now received 96.77% of the expected revenue. Through 11 months, expenses have run 89.26% of the budgeted amount. Our total income should come in close to the budget and overall expenses should fall within the budget.

Our lowest interest rate CD (1%) with Stock Yards bank was cashed in to meet June expenses.

Our tax rate for the 2009-2010 fiscal year will need to be set at the July meeting.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

2009

June 11, 2009, Trustee meeting:

The annual pump testing for all of the districts engines has been completed with all passing with flying colors.

The summer intern position has been filled by Adam Hanrahan who is a 26 year old volunteer.

Chief Seng and Assistant Chief Monohan will be attending the Southeastern Chiefs Conference June 17th through June 20th. Major Dugan will be acting Chief in their absence.

Faye Ellerkamp has been reappointed to serve on the board by Mayor Jerry Abramson.

Chief Seng has been asked to again serve on the FEMA AFG Grant Review Team in Washington, July 5th through July 9th. While Chief Seng does not take part in reviews of local grants, the District has been very successful in the past 4 years in receiving these grants.

Four members of the apparatus committee were at Pierce to make the final inspection of the new aerial ladder truck. The truck 2659 is expected to be delivered the week of June 15th.

The WHAS Crusade for Children was last week. Crusade Chairman John Volkerding reported that the District turned in \$57,122.00. The new collection plan adopted for this year seemed to achieve its goals of fewer hours on road blocks for firefighters and less overall stress. Our collection effort was in the top 10 of all fire departments collecting.

The District was notified that ISO will arrive at St. Matthews on July 16th to begin their review. The whole process should take about 2 days. No change in the Districts class 2 rating is expected.

The State has donated a \$5000 elliptical exercise machine for use with our fitness program.

The landscaping has been cleaned up and the new yard barn is now complete at station 2.

Captain Heaphy is expected to have his knee surgery on July 10th. His return to the work schedule will be determined later. Sergeant McCune will continue to fill his shift position until he returns.

Metro Safe has a September 11th target date to be in full operation with the new equipment. The new center is expected to open soon with the old equipment and the new equipment is scheduled to begin to be installed in equipment all Police, Fire and EMS vehicles soon.

2009

June 11, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Chief Seng requested no expenditures for June 2009.

Old Business

Jack Monohan reported that the Reunion Committee has finalized of all their plans for the reunion on August 8th. The Fire District will have an open house from 3pm to 4pm the same day.

New Business

Chief Seng reported for Joe Wolfe that the firefighter trustee election will be held June 27, 2009 at Station 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Joe will oversee the election along with Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan.

Assistant Chief Monohan reported that the final delivered price for the new truck 2659 is \$838,157. The final prices included several safety changes and that were made during the construction and engineering process. The District's share of the cost will be about \$488,000, plus the \$69,863 already approved for equipment.

Chief Seng reported that the financing needs to be finalized so the District's share of the bill can be paid after acceptance of the truck. The Kentucky League of Cities has the best rate, which is a 5 year loan at 1.74%.

Jack Monohan moved to approve Resolution # 09-01 to finance the new truck through the Kentucky League of Cities at 1.74% for 5 years. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The audit for the 2008-2009 fiscal years will need to be completed soon. Chairman Tom Eifler appointed a committee consisting of Rick Tonini, Jim Graven and Chief Seng to make a decision on our next audit.

Chief Seng asked the board to review and approve the contract for the districts exercise program that will run From July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. The contract was reviewed and jack Monohan moved to approve the contract. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The next board meeting will be July 16, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, John Volkerding moved and Rick Tonini seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:02 pm.

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June 11, 2009, Trustee meeting: Reunion Information



St. Matthews Fire Dept. Alumni Association Inc.



240 Sears Ave. Louisville, KY 40207

Cordially Invites You to Attend

What: A gathering of all members -- past and present -- for a:

Reunion / 90th Anniversary Party

Where: The S. M. F. D. Station #1 and Steepleton, across the street
Look for the **Big** Tent! (*Yes... We are closing the street!*)

When: Saturday, August 8, 2009, 4:00 till ???
(*There will be a public open house from 3:00 till 4:00*)

Food: Burgers, hot dogs, potato salad, chips, pretzels, soft drinks, cold beer.

Cost: **Free!** Spouses and or significant others welcome too!

Bring: Smiles, stories to impress the new guys. Fender meetings will be judged!

Bonus! The history book of the St. Matthews Fire Department will be sold at a **new special price!** This book would make a great gift and is a *must* for all alumni of the St. Matthews Fire Department. **Cost: \$10**

There will be 15+ privately owned antique fire trucks, a display table of pictures, and other memorabilia for all to enjoy. If you have any fire related pictures or fire service collectables please bring them with you to share.

Please join the fun! We expect a large turnout. People will be coming from all over the country. Make your plans now!

If you have any questions, feel free to email or call anyone on the '09 reunion committee:

Bill Andriot	893-3789	bandriot@semonin.com
Rick Albers	292-2248	chief@northholdhamfire.org
Gar Davis	553-4444	gar@twoway.com
Mike Davis	664-2412	mdsweep@bellsouth.net
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Jim Graven	552-4250	jimgraven@steepleton.com
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June 11, 2009, Trustee meeting: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT IN A MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$600,000; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District (the "Lessee") has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 et seq. of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined in the Lease hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Kentucky League of Cities Funding Trust (the "Lessor") enter into a Lease Agreement in a principal amount not to exceed \$600,000 (the "Lease") for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE ST. MATTHEWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals and Authorization. The Lessee hereby approves the Lease Agreement (the "Lease") and all Collateral Documents, as defined in the Lease, each in substantially the form presented to this Governing Body. It is hereby found and determined that the Project identified in the Lease is public property to be used for public purposes. It is further determined that it is necessary and desirable and in the best interests of the Lessee to enter into the Lease for the purposes therein specified, and the execution and delivery of the Lease and all representations, certifications and other matters contained in the Closing Memorandum with respect to the Lease, or as may be required by the Lessor prior to delivery of the Lease, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed. The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary of the Lessee are hereby authorized to execute the Lease, together with such other agreements or certifications which may be necessary to accomplish the transaction contemplated by the Lease.

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obligation Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same

officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all bonds or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. Sunshine Law. This Governing Body hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Governing Body, and that all deliberations of this governing Body and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Section 5. Conflicts. All resolutions, orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and the provisions of this Resolution shall prevail and be given effect.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, as provided by law.

INTRODUCED, SECONDED AND ADOPTED, at a duly convened meeting of the Governing Body, held on _____, 2009, signed by the Chair of the Lessee, attested by the Secretary, filed and indexed as provided by law

By: _____
Chair

Attest:

Secretary

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2009

	Governmental Activity
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 262,185
Accounts receivable, property taxes, and other	54,293
Federal grant receivable (Note 6)	346,500
Certificates of deposit (Note 2)	1,790,333
Capital assets, net of depreciation (Notes 3 and 6)	2,603,718
TOTAL ASSETS	5,057,029
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	
Portion due within one year	319,618
Portion due after one year (Note 6)	600,000
Total Liabilities	919,618
NET ASSETS	
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt	2,003,718
Unrestricted	2,133,693
Total Net Assets	4,137,411
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 5,057,029

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St. Matthews Fire Protection District Holding Company, Inc. Page 6

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUND

JUNE 30, 2009

	General Fund
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 262,185
Accounts receivable, property taxes, and other	54,293
Federal grant receivable (Note 6)	346,500
Certificates of deposit (Note 2)	1,790,333
TOTAL ASSETS	2,453,311
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	319,618
Obligation on capital asset (Note 6)	600,000
Total Liabilities	919,618
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	
Designated for capital expenditures	600,000
Undesignated	933,693
Total Fund Balance	1,533,693
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,453,311

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St. Matthews Fire Protection District Holding Company, Inc. Page 5

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Governmental Activity
EXPENSES	
Salaries, wages, and benefits	\$ 2,913,925
Operating expenses	113,417
Repairs, maintenance, and supplies expenses	270,743
Depreciation expense	213,522
Total Expenses	3,511,607
GENERAL REVENUES	
Property taxes (Note 7)	3,258,412
Interest earnings	44,786
State aid, incentives, and other	179,406
Federal grant (Note 6)	346,500
Total General Revenues	3,829,104
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	317,497
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,819,914
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 4,137,411

St. Matthews Fire Protection District and
St. Matthews Fire Protection District Holding Company, Inc. Page 7RECONCILIATION OF THE COMBINED
BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUND TO THE
COMBINED STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$ 1,533,693
Total net assets reported for governmental activities in the combined statement of net assets is different because:	
Capital assets, net of depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, not reported in the general fund.	2,603,718
Total Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 4,137,411

June 30, 2009, Combined Financial Statements:

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**COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – GOVERNMENTAL FUND**

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	General Fund		Over (Under)
	Budget	Actual	Budget
REVENUES			
Property taxes (Note 7)	\$ 3,294,000	\$ 3,258,412	\$ (35,588)
Interest earnings	89,000	44,786	(44,214)
State aid, incentives, and other	160,700	179,406	18,706
Federal grant (Note 6)		346,500	346,500
Total Revenues	3,543,700	3,829,104	285,404
EXPENDITURES			
Property and equipment additions			
Building improvements, fire fighting equipment, other equipment, and vehicles (Note 6)	258,218	980,259	722,041
Personnel operating expenses	2,066,928	2,105,135	38,207
Administrative expenses			
Insurance	46,000	49,787	3,787
Retirement costs	552,240	508,356	(43,884)
Legal and accounting	38,353	23,806	(14,547)
Public education	5,000	13,067	8,067
Trustee's expenses	3,800	1,825	(1,975)
Payroll taxes	132,061	128,800	(3,261)
Other supplies and miscellaneous	23,000	24,932	1,932
Operating expenses			
Utilities	55,000	45,624	(9,376)
Gasoline and oil	40,000	26,151	(13,849)
Fire fighting and training expenses	151,600	171,634	20,034
Repairs and maintenance expenses			
Vehicles	70,000	76,172	6,172
Buildings	34,000	56,464	22,464
Communication equipment	29,000	30,825	1,825
Fire fighting equipment	30,500	23,769	(6,731)
Personal equipment	8,000	11,738	3,738
Total Expenditures	3,543,700	4,278,344	734,644
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE	\$ 0	(449,240)	\$ (449,240)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR		1,982,933	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR		\$ 1,533,693	

**RECONCILIATION OF THE COMBINED STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE – GOVERNMENTAL FUND TO THE
COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds \$ (449,240)

The change in net assets reported for governmental activities
in the combined statement of activities is different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the combined statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays (\$980,259) exceeded depreciation (\$213,522) in the current period.

766,737

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities

\$ 317,497

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NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2009 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Disposals	Ending Balance
Buildings and improvements	\$ 2,147,238	\$ 48,189	\$	\$ 2,195,427
Fire fighting equipment	1,773,072	884,307		2,657,379
Other equipment	524,709	12,794		537,503
Vehicles	205,996	34,969	32,824	208,141
Total Cost	4,651,015	980,259	32,824	5,598,450
Less accumulated depreciation				
Buildings and improvements	(1,063,724)	(65,804)		(1,129,528)
Fire fighting equipment	(1,268,677)	(86,634)		(1,355,311)
Other equipment	(354,318)	(36,416)		(390,734)
Vehicles	(127,315)	(24,668)	(32,824)	(119,159)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(2,814,034)	(213,522)	(32,824)	(2,994,732)
Net Book Value	\$ 1,836,981	\$ (766,737)	\$ 0	\$ 2,603,718

NOTE 4. RETIREMENT PLANS

2009

July 4, 2009, City of Indian Hills Parade: Eifler fire truck, Chairman of Trustees STMFD.



2009

July 8, 2009:

William "Bill" Sanger Butler, helped publish the book, St. Matthews Firefighters



William Sanger Butler "Bill"

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BUTLER, WILLIAM SANGER "BILL," 60, died Wednesday, July 8, 2009 after a valiant, six-year battle with sarcoma.

Bill was born on April 7, 1949, in Louisville. He attended Chenoweth and St. Matthews Elementary schools and graduated in 1967 from Louisville Country Day, where he played varsity basketball and tennis and was a member of Chevalier Literary Society.

Bill majored in French literature and graduated cum laude from Sewanee, the University of the South, where he was a member of Phi Delta Theta, the Black Ribbon Society, the Wellingtons, the Order of the Silver Spoon and the R.L. White Society.

After graduating, he took a position in the publicity department at Churchill Downs. He was working in the press box as Secretariat won the Kentucky Derby in 1973.

Later that year, Bill joined The Courier-Journal's book publishing division, where he helped produce and edit Hugh Haynie: Perspective, a book of Haynie's best editorial cartoons; They're Off, a book about the Kentucky Derby; and Basketball: Dream Game in Kentucky, by Dave Kindred.

In 1974, Bill became an account manager for Dulaney Advertising, then worked for five years at Doe-Anderson advertising agency as an industrial account manager. His clients included the Henry Vogt Machine Company, American Air Filter, Jeffboat/ ACBL, Thomas Industries and Hillerich & Bradsby.

In 1980, Bill founded his own advertising agency, Courier Marketing & Advertising. In 1983, he returned to book publishing, co-founding Harmony House Publishers with Pulitzer-prize winning photographer Bill Strode. Harmony House published over 200 titles, including The Kentucky Governor's Mansion: A Restoration; Keeneland: A Half-Century of Racing; two books by Phyllis George, Kentucky Crafts and Craft in America; Chariots of Iron: Fifty Years of American Armor; Emblems of Southern Valor: The Battle Flags of the Confederacy; and books for over 150 colleges and military academies, through the company's American College Series.

In 1989, Bill and his wife Carol created a new book publishing company called Butler Books, specializing in non-fiction local and regional titles. Over the last 20 years, Butler Books has published hundreds of books and received a number of awards, including the Louisville Historical League's 2009 Founder's Award for publishing books that preserve Louisville history, like Louisville Then and Now and Passing the Torch, by Greater Louisville Inc.; Louisville Landmarks, by Joanne Weeter; The Great Flood of 1937, by Rick Bell; Unearthing the Past: The Archaeology of the Falls of the Ohio River Region, by Don Janzen; Jewish Louisville, by the Jewish Community Federation, as well as commemorative books for dozens of community organizations like the Kentucky Derby Festival, the University of Louisville, the YMCA, the American Printing House for the Blind, Sister Cities International, the Seelbach Hotel, and many schools, churches and clubs. Three Butler Books have won national Independent Publisher Book Awards: Kentucky Houses of Stratton Hammon (Bronze Medal in Architecture, 2008), Frederick Hart (Silver Medal in Fine Arts, 2008), and Julius Friedman: Images and Ideas (Gold Medal in Fine Arts, 2009).

In addition to serving as publisher and CEO of Butler Books, Bill authored TORNADO: A Look Back at Louisville's Dark Day, and co-authored (with L. Douglas Keeney) Secret Messages, published by Simon & Schuster; Day of Destiny: The Photographs of D-Day and This is Guadalcanal, published by William Morrow; and No Easy Days, Fire in the Sky and Tragedy at Sea, published by Doubleday. He was hired by ReganBooks, a division of Harper Collins, to co-write Business is Combat, by James D. Murphy, and The One Page Proposal, by Pat Riley, and co-wrote Pierre Salinger's John F. Kennedy: Commander in Chief; Chuck Yeager's The Quest for Mach I; and There Once Was a War: The Collected Color Photography of World War II, for Viking Studio Books, a division of Penguin-Putnam. He also helped establish Minerva Books, a publishing partnership with the University of Louisville that is a division of Butler Books.

Bill was beloved and admired by everyone who knew him. He had countless friends, colleagues and authors who were inspired and enriched by his brilliance, his charm and his humor and awed by how much he knew about books, movies, music and history. Everyone who knew Bill will cherish the impact he has had on their lives.

He was also a lifelong athlete. Bill had a passion for motorcycles and raced in enduros and motocross competitions. He played tennis, golf, basketball, baseball and softball. He was a former member and club tennis champion at Harmony Landing Country Club. When his sons were young, he coached their t-ball and soccer teams. Today, he was proud that both have followed him into the book publishing business.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Walter Robertson Butt, Jr. and Ruth Sanger Butt. He is survived by his wife Carol, his partner in life and in business; his two sons, Billy (William P.), Vice President of Butler Books, and Eric, a book designer for Harper Collins Publishers in New York; two brothers, Walter R. (Nancy) and Robert B. (Connie) Butler, of Louisville; a stepmother, Lois Jester, of Rancho Palos Verdes, CA; two step-brothers, Lee and Leven (Bethany) Jester, also of CA; two sisters-in-law, Susan Kunk (Jens Kruse), of Wellesley, MA, and Deborah (Jeffrey) Alexander, of Falcon Heights, MN; three nieces, Elizabeth Butler, of Golden, CO, Austin (Alex) Nikolich, of Louisville, and Grace Alexander, of Falcon Heights, MN; four nephews, Jack Butler and Bjorn Kruse, both of Golden, CO; Robert Butler, of Louisville, and Michael Kruse, of St. Petersburg, FL; and five cousins: Patricia Poe, of Ashland, OR; Larry (Suzanne) Amberg, of Austin, TX; Ellen (Kip) Cornett, of Lexington, KY, and Nancy (Mike) Sheehan and Joe (Kathy) Sanger, of Hickman, KY.

The Butler family would like to thank all the doctors, nurses and staff members who treated Bill and kept his hope alive at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX and at the Brown Cancer Center in Louisville. Special thanks go to Dr. Donald Miller, Bill's first and last oncologist, who always buoyed his spirits and was a good friend, as well as an extraordinary care-giver to Bill throughout his illness.

At his request, Bill will be cremated and buried privately in Cave Hill Cemetery. The Butler family will host a celebration of Bill's life and legacy at The Olmsted, Masonic Home Village, 3701 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, on Saturday morning, July 25. Visitation will begin at 9 AM, followed by a program at 10 AM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that anyone wanting to honor Bill send a special photo, story or memory to the Butler family at Butler Books, PO Box 7311, Louisville, KY 40207, or make a donation to the Brown Cancer Center, Gilda's Club or Hosparus in Louisville or to the William S. Butler Scholarship in Book Publishing Fund, c/o The University of Louisville Foundation, Cardinal Station, 215 Central Avenue, Suite 300, Louisville, KY 40208.

2009

July, 2009: Real Estate Assessments

PRELIMINARY / CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS 2009 COMPARISON

FIRE DISTRICT	PRELIMINARY TOTAL ACCTS	CERTIFIED TOTAL ACCTS	PRELIMINARY HOMESTEAD ACCTS	CERTIFIED HOMESTEAD ACCTS	PRELIMINARY FAIR CASH VALUE	CERTIFIED FAIR CASH VALUE	PRELIMINARY TAXABLE ASSESSMENTS	CERTIFIED TAXABLE ASSESSMENTS
01-Jeffersontown	16,110	16,110	2789	2,805	3,902,669,255	3,873,992,535	3,791,047,835	3,759,132,455
03-Camp Taylor	2,432	2,432	468	469	629,110,440	624,653,370	613,338,840	608,848,070
06-Okolona	20,600	20,599	4,224	4,215	3,467,439,981	3,425,159,220	3,324,309,251	3,274,323,130
07-Eastwood	5,859	5,857	582	599	1,762,411,250	1,753,724,930	1,693,980,870	1,684,659,130
08-Lake Dreamland	4,638	4,638	765	772	547,656,010	530,013,520	522,900,450	504,998,370
09-PRP	32,687	32,686	7,850	7,852	4,556,456,997	4,532,670,267	4,286,084,167	4,262,276,607
10-Dixie Suburban	1,097	1,097	278	277	120,997,530	119,835,610	111,628,930	110,500,710
11-Highview	11,026	11,026	2,538	2,550	1,563,281,680	1,557,211,430	1,471,572,760	1,465,064,150
12-Harrods Creek	7,874	7,876	1,538	1,565	2,803,302,550	2,794,773,230	2,731,320,580	2,721,881,360
13-Middletown	15,689	15,684	3,214	3,254	4,859,784,800	4,800,445,980	4,742,906,200	4,681,916,410
14-McMahan	4,571	4,571	1,371	1,372	1,038,635,240	1,025,946,660	986,946,440	974,224,160
15-Fern Creek	13,788	13,788	2,502	2,509	2,456,501,135	2,450,272,715	2,317,589,735	2,309,989,705
16-Lyndon	11,743	11,743	2,877	2,903	2,928,247,888	2,898,467,538	2,830,763,138	2,800,106,588
17-Buechel	6,554	6,553	1,192	1,191	1,136,841,995	1,121,493,155	1,095,987,015	1,079,739,295
18-Worthington	11,149	11,150	1,853	1,879	3,007,486,130	2,965,039,810	2,931,978,860	2,884,479,050
19-Fairdale	8,859	8,860	1,814	1,818	1,319,274,276	1,266,593,406	1,256,166,370	1,203,564,480
20-Anchorage	862	862	138	139	464,312,080	461,744,520	450,588,430	447,987,170
26-St. Matthews	10,739	10,739	2,721	2,725	3,097,988,295	3,088,532,945	3,005,927,845	2,996,337,695
TOTAL:	186,277	186,271	38,714	38,894	39,662,397,532	39,290,570,841	38,165,037,716	37,770,028,535

TAXABLE ASSESSMENTS = FAIR CASH - HOMESTEAD
HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR 2009 = \$33,700

Preliminary: 04/13/2009
Certified: 07/14/2009

Final Recap Follows Certification (sometime in August)

2009

July 15, 2009, Letter:

*Smoke Detectors
Save Lives*



*Learn Not
To Burn*

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Fire Chief**

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Joe Wolfe
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Faye Ellerkamp

To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: July 15, 2009
Re: District Activity

- ✓ The District is currently under review by ISO (Insurance Services Office), who is conducting a review of the overall operation of the Fire District. This evaluation process will take about three to four days, with a final report being furnished in about a month. Currently, everything has been going smoothly without any problems. I will copy everyone as soon as the report is released.
- ✓ Unit 2659, the 2009 Peirce Aerial ladder is still about one to two weeks off from being ready to put into service. Most of the equipment has already been purchased and has been mounted on the truck.
- ✓ I talked with FEMA officials last week during my participation in the Grant Review Process and they advised me that as far as they were concerned they did not care who we sold Unit 2653 to as long as it was not to an emergency service. I then asked if the sale of the truck to an apparatus broker met the scope of the grant and again he said that would not be a problem as long as it was not a fire department or an emergency service.
- ✓ Currently the only apparatus out of service at this time due to equipment failure is Unit 2631. It is in Lexington at Vehicle Systems having the water tank replaced because of a stress crack that had developed near the top of the tank. The water tank carries a lifetime warranty so this repair will not cost the fire district anything to repair.
- ✓ Several months back the Board approved an expenditure to purchase a washer and dryer to be used for the washing of uniforms and bed linens instead of having them washed in the large commercial washer where the fire gear is washed. This project is near completion and should be ready in a couple of weeks.
- ✓ The Alumni Committee is still working on a reunion which has been scheduled for August 8th of this year. Trustee Jack Monohan will be able to give you more details on that event during the meeting. The Fire District has also scheduled to hold an Open House that same day in honor of our 90th anniversary from 3 to 4 pm with the reunion immediately following.
- ✓ Two firefighters Kent Monohan and Larry Heaphy are out on long term injuries following surgery. Larry Heaphy's surgery was due to an on duty injury which is covered under workman's compensation. Kent Monohan's surgery was elective and is out on sick and vacation time.
- ✓ The exercise and weight loss program is going great and has been better than expected. Several members have lost over twenty pounds since the program began back in October with a total weight loss for everyone exceeding 200 lbs.
- ✓ Five members of the department are feeling so fit and in shape they have entered into the 2009 Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge that will be held in Lexington, Kentucky August 14th and 15th. This is a very strenuous course of several different firefighting tasks that is scored on a time basis. If our team does well enough they get to move on in the challenge and hopefully reach the finals. The team members consist of George Wiggins, Joe Bewley, Nick Heilmann, Kevin Moulton, and Michael Monohan. If you get a chance, wish them luck!

2009

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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**William J. Seng
Fire Chief**

Trustees Meeting Agenda
July 15, 2009

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John Volkerding, Secretary

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Joe Wolfe
Richard J. Tonini
Jack Monohan
Faye Ellerkamp

*SAM McCONE
REPLACES JOE WOLFE*

- I. ✓ Call to Order
- II. ✓ Approval of Minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. Election Results *SAM McCONE (ST. M. FIREFIGHTER REP.)*
- IV. ✓ Oath of Office *FOR SAM*
- V. ✓ Election of Officers *SAME*
- VI. ✓ Treasurer Report
 - (a) Auditor Recommendation-Audit Committee *PASS UNTIL NEXT MONTH*
 - (b) ~~Track~~ Financials Report-Jim Graven *346,000. FEMA Deposited @ 3.7%*
- VII. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - (a) Update on New Truck
 - (b) CERS Resolution
 - (c) EMS-Update *Table Until Next Month*
- VIII. ✓ Old Business
 - (a) Reunion Committee-Monohan *ALL OK*
- IX. ✓ New Business *PASSED TO ALL PRESENT*
 - (a) "Your Duty under the law" & "Managing Government Records"-TOE
- X. ✓ Executive Session-If needed *6:32 UNTIL 6:43*
- XI. The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on August 20, 2009 at 7:00pm- Highview Fire Department, Station #1
- XII. The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on August 13, 2009-Thursdays at 5:30pm

2009

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting:

PROV

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

July 15, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on July 15, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Jim Graven, Sam McCune, Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan, Joe Wolfe, Tony Glass, Michael Monohan, Moss Clore, Charles McCune, Patrick Montague and Mike Frantz.

Minutes

The minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Rick Tonini moved; Faye Ellerkamp seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Election Results

The Election Committee reported that Sam McCune won the election for firefighter trustee. Chief Seng administered the oath of office to Sam. Tom Eifler congratulated Sam on his election and welcomed him to the Board. Also, Joe Wolfe was thanked for his years of service and presented a Plaque.

Rick Tonini moved to keep the same board officers for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for June was \$86.77 and we finished the year with \$12,316.83. Overall CRC revenue finished the fiscal year up \$2,316.83 over the budget projection.

The District finished the fiscal year in excellent financial shape. Revenue for the fiscal year was at 97.64% of the budget and expenses were at 96.80% of the budget. The revenue shortfall was primarily from unpaid real property tax and lower than expected interest rates. The largest saving on the expense side was no expenditures were made for apparatus replacement.

2009

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting:

The certified PVA numbers have been received. Real property revenue is \$2,996,337.70. This number is \$9,590 below the preliminary PVA estimate.

The audit committee is still completing their work and will report back at the next meeting.

The truck financing with the Kentucky League of Cities was canceled after it was discovered that the attractive interest rate was offset by very high closing costs. After shopping several local banks, it was determined that Commonwealth Bank offered the best rate of 3.65% to finance the balance on the new truck.

The board discussed the financing options and made note to the fact that Chief Seng's wife works for Commonwealth Bank.

Jack Monohan moved to approve financing the new truck with Commonwealth Bank. Sam McCune seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The FEMA grant money for the new truck has been deposited into the District's accounts.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Tax Rate

Rick Tonini moved to set our tax rate for the 2009-2010 fiscal year at 10 cents per \$100 for all real and personal property and tangible goods. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

The ISO review of the District is in progress. The on-site evaluation process takes about 3-4 days and the full report should be released in about 30 days. We expect to maintain our class 2 rating.

The new truck, 2659, is in the process of having equipment mounted and firefighters are being trained to drive and operate it. We expect to put the truck into service before August 1.

FEMA officials have advised that while 2653 cannot be sold directly to a fire department, it can be sold to a broker.

2009

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting:

2631 is at the E-One dealer in Lexington to have its water tank repaired under warranty. The tank has a lifetime warranty.

The SCBA room upgrade, which includes the installation of a washer and dryer for cleaning firefighters bedding and clothing, should be complete by August 1. Captains Kent Monohan and Larry Heaphy are still off work with long-term injuries. Larry's injury was on duty and covered by workers comp. Kent had elective surgery and is using vacation and sick days. Their return to work date is unknown at this time.

The exercise and weight-loss program is going well. District firefighters have lost a total of over 200lbs to date with several losing over 20 lbs each.

Five members of the department are so excited over the new fitness program that they have entered the Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge that will be held in Lexington on August 14 & 15. The members of our team are George Wiggins, Joe Bewely, Nick Heilmann, Kevin Moulton and Michael Monohan.

Metro Safe is now open using the old radio system and still has a target date of September 11 to have the new radios up and running. At this time, no radios have been installed in the fire service so it may be a long shot to meet the target date.

Papa Johns filmed a commercial at Station 1 recently. The firefighters on duty enjoyed the process, which was completed in less than two hours.

The Station 2 commercial lawn mowers are very old and need to be replaced. Money has been budgeted for the new year for their replacement. A committee is being formed to make a recommendation for what type of mowers to purchase at the August board meeting.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for July 2009.

Tee shirts and hats for firefighters	\$ 689.75
Vehicle charger for thermal imaging camera	\$ 550.00
Public relations supplies	\$ 973.50
Exhaust hose & drop replacement for 2659	\$1,500.00

Rick Tonini moved to approve all expenses. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

2009

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Jack Monohan reported that the Reunion Committee has finalized all their plans for the reunion on August 8. The Fire District will have an open house from 3pm to 4pm the same day.

New Business

Chief Seng reported that Metro EMS has created a new Delta response plan for fire districts to be dispatched on first responder runs using the Echo response. Metro EMS believes that under the Echo response plan there are runs where the District is needed and not dispatched. They have promised the new plan will cut back on all the unnecessary runs the fire districts were dispatched on in the past. They have asked each district to try the new plan for 30 days. Because Metro Safe has a 30 day freeze on changes in response, the district cannot begin the trial period until late August. Chief Seng and the board discussed the pros and cons of the plan. Chief Seng is going to research how the new plan is working with several other departments that have begun their trial period and report back at the August meeting with a recommendation.

Chairman Tom Eifler reviewed and distributed to the board information on Kentucky's Open Record Laws and Open Meeting Laws and how it relates to board activities and also information on Managing Government Records.

Chief Seng explained the change in the CERS law. Under the change, fire district's and cities have the option to enroll new employees in the hazardous or non-hazardous retirement plans.

Jack Monohan moved to pass a resolution to enroll all firefighters in the hazardous duty retirement plan as in the past. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Rick Tonini moved to go into executive session for a Personnel matter at 6:40 p.m. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The board returned from executive session at 6:45 p.m.

Tom Eifler reported that the board decided to take no action as a result of the Executive Session.

The next board meeting will be August 13, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Rick Tonini moved and John Volkerding seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:46 p.m.

2009

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting: Sam McCune new Trustee

Firefighter 1977 to retired August 2000, Lieutenant, Captain, Major, rejoined January 2006 to Present (2010), Trustee, 2009 to Present (2010)



Sam McCune grew up in St. Matthews and went to Holy Trinity and Stivers Elementary schools and graduated from Waggener High School. He also attended two years of Jefferson Community College. He started as a volunteer firefighter for the St. Matthews Fire District in December 1977, became full time firefighter in February 1979. He worked his way through the ranks and held the rank of Major until he went to Shift Work and he dropped back to the rank of Captain. He held the rank of Captain until he retired in August of 2000. Sam missed the job so much that he returned to the St. Matthews Fire District in January of 2006 at the rank of Firefighter riding the jumpseat and doing all the fun stuff. He was elected to the Board of Trustees as one of the Firefighter Reps. in July of 2009. Sam has a wife, Leah J. McCune and three sons, Duston G. McCune, Kurtis S. McCune, and Christopher C. McCune. They have two grandsons, Jonah & Machia McCune.

July 15, 2009, Trustee meeting: Resolution

**Resolution of Agency Transferring From
Non-Hazardous to Hazardous Coverage
As Defined by KRS 61.592 (1) (b)**

WHEREAS, St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees is requesting that the KRS Board of Trustees approve hazardous duty coverage for positions in the St. Matthews Fire Protection District department(s) for employees who begin participating in the County Employees Retirement System on or after September 1, 2008.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees as follows:

- (A) That effective 12-1-2009 all employees working under hazardous duty positions of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District department(s) will transfer from the existing nonhazardous coverage in the County Employees Retirement System to hazardous duty coverage within the same County Employees Retirement System.
- (B) Contributions to be paid are as follows:
- 1) 32.97% (current rate) of employee's gross wages to be paid by the employer (may be changed by the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems).
 - 2) 9% (current rate) of employee' gross wages to be paid by the employee who has a participation date on or after September 1, 2008 (may be changed by the Kentucky General Assembly).

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees will comply with all the statutory requirements to make the County Employees Retirement System hazardous duty coverage available for all eligible employees who are working under approved positions within the St. Matthews Fire Protection District department(s).

Light Duty

In cases of employee illness or injury not covered by workmen's compensation that require long term recovery, the Fire District shall offer the hazardous duty employee a light duty assignment once all of the following conditions are met.

- The employee has exhausted all of their accumulated sick leave and vacation time.
- The Fire Districts Occupational Physician, having knowledge of NFPA 1582 - Medical Requirements For Firefighters - 1992, has certified that the condition is temporary and that he/she has a reasonable expectation that the employee will be able to return to full duty within one year.
- The Fire Districts Occupational Physician, having been provided in writing a description of the light duty assignment, has provided a written release to the light duty assignment.

Light duty jobs may include any duty from clerical to apparatus maintenance depending upon the departments needs and tailored to the employees' abilities. The work schedule shall be Monday - Friday 8AM to 5PM. No fire ground duties shall at any time be associated with light duty assignments.

Light duty assignments shall not exceed six (6) months in duration and total time off of full duty shall not exceed one (1) year. This benefit is only available to hazardous duty employees, civilian & part time employees are excluded.

2009

July 28, 2009, *The Courier-Journal*, by Martha Elson: St. Matthews gets new \$860,000 fire truck



July 28, 2009

St. Matthews gets new \$860,000 fire truck

By Martha Elson
marelson@courier-journal.com

The St. Matthews Fire Protection District has a new \$860,000 fire truck that was paid for with help from a \$346,500 federal grant.

The new "tractor-drawn" truck, whose rear wheels are steered by a separate driver, arrived about a month ago and is still being readied for use, St. Matthews Fire Chief Bill Seng said. It has a 100-foot long aerial ladder that could be used at Norton Suburban and Baptist East hospitals and the Professional Towers building at 4010 DuPont Circle.

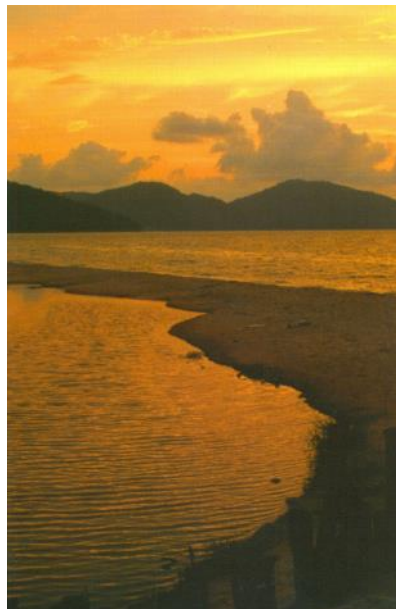
The new truck will replace a 22-year-old one that likely will be sold on eBay, possibly to a collector, he said. Federal restrictions prohibit sales of old trucks to other emergency operations, to prevent them from applying for replacement grants, Seng said.

The new truck will be on display when past and present members of the St. Matthews fire department, whose main station is at 240 Sears Ave., celebrate the department's 90th anniversary Aug. 8.

Reporter Martha Elson can be reached at (502) 582-7061.

NOTE: The Reunion photos and information will be in its own SECTION:

Card from former fire-fighter Ralph Kempf on Reunion.



8/12/09
Just had to say thanks again
for a great and memorable
time last Saturday.
Past reunions, indeed, have
been wonderful, however this
was fantastic!!
It was great to see the
"old" apparatus on display,
old friends, tasty food and
outstanding hospitality. Going
First Class has always been
a tradition at this department -
Saturday was no exception!
Thanks again to all of you.
Ralph & Martha Kempf

2009

July, 2009, Indecent Report:

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {07/01/2009} And {07/31/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
. Fire				
111 Building fire	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
113 Cooking fire, confined to container	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
131 Passenger vehicle fire	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
150 Outside rubbish fire, Other	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
	5	6.49%	\$0	0.00%
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	9	11.68%	\$0	0.00%
3111 Medical assist, AED applied w/shocks given	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
3116 Medical assist, cancelled by squad after	3	3.89%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
331 Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
	15	19.48%	\$0	0.00%
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
421 Chemical hazard (no spill or leak)	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	3	3.89%	\$0	0.00%
442 Overheated motor	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
445 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
460 Accident, potential accident, Other	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
	10	12.98%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
511 Lock-out	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
512 Ring or jewelry removal	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
522 Water or steam leak	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
	7	9.09%	\$0	0.00%
5 Good Intent Call				
500 Good intent call, Other	5	6.49%	\$0	0.00%
511 Dispatched & cancelled en route	10	12.98%	\$0	0.00%
	15	19.48%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {07/01/2009} And {07/31/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
7 False Alarm & False Call				
710 Malicious, mischievous false call, Other	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
730 System malfunction, Other	3	3.89%	\$0	0.00%
731 Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	5	6.49%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	5	6.49%	\$0	0.00%
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	2	2.59%	\$0	0.00%
741 Sprinkler activation, no fire -	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	3	3.89%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	1	1.29%	\$0	0.00%
	25	32.46%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 77

Total Est Loss: \$0

2009

August 6, 2009, Memorandum:

MEMORANDUM

St. Matthews Fire Protection District
Chief William J. Seng

To: All Personnel
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: August 6, 2009
Re: Kiwanis Club 2008 Firefighter of the Year

**Kiwanis Club of St. Matthews Presents The
2008 Outstanding St Matthews Firefighter of the Year**

Captain Mike Richardson

While a native of Louisville, KY, Mike Richardson came to serve at the St Matthews FD in a very "round about manner". Graduating from Ballard HS he went directly into the US Army and served a total of 8 years. After leaving his last duty station at Ft Drum, NY he entered the Fire Service as a volunteer firefighter with the DeWitt FD in Syracuse. Shortly thereafter he became a career firefighter and spent the next 5 years serving in NY. While he greatly enjoyed his time in NY, Mike decided that he needed to return to KY to be closer to his family, and to further his Fire Service career by attending the Fire Science Program at Eastern KY University. For the next 3 years he attended ECU working on his BS in Fire & Safety Engineering and his MS in Loss Prevention and Safety. While attending ECU he served as a firefighter for the Richmond FD. Then another "round about event" took place which would directly shape his life. While attending the Fire Dept Instructors Conference in Indianapolis, IN he ran into a Bullard employee who was located just up the road from him in Cynthiana, KY. One thing led to another, and shortly after that meeting he accepted a position with Bullard as their Thermal Imaging Technical and Training Manager. Shortly after accepting that position, the employee he had met at FDIC, Heather Hyatt, accepted his proposal and became his wife. Mike spent the next 3 years working for Bullard developing new firefighting products and traveling around the world training firefighters how to use them. Next came the events of Sept 11, 2001, and having served as a Firefighter in NY, and losing a number of personal friends in the attack, Mike reevaluated where he was at, and decided he wanted to get back to being more directly involved as a Firefighter. As luck or fate would have it while looking through the job listings in a national fire service publication, he saw that the St Matthews FD was looking for a Training Coordinator. It had been almost 17 years since he had left Louisville, but this job opportunity would

allow him to finally return "home". Mike was made the Dept Training Coordinator in April of 2002 and he continues to serve the Dept in that role. His drive, compassion, and commitment are evident and have earned him the honor of Firefighter of the Year. Capt Richardson would like to thank everyone for the honor of receiving the award. He feels that there is no greater form of an award than to be recognized for your efforts by your fellow coworkers. Congratulations to Captain Richardson.

Capt. Richardson will be honored at the St. Matthews Kiwanis Club luncheon on August 18, 2009 at 12 noon. Please contact me if you are interested in attending.

2009

August 10, 2009, Letter:

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To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: August 10, 2009
Re: District Activity

*NEW MEET SCh
2:00 THUR @ Noon
Noon*

- ✓ The August Trustees meeting is this Thursday at 5:30 pm. Please give Chairman Eifler or myself a call if you will not be able to attend.
- ✓ The Fire District Open House/Alumni Party that was held last Saturday was a huge success! Every Trustee attended and had a really good time. I will let Jack Monohan report on this event during the Trustee meeting on Thursday!
- ✓ If you didn't notice the entire firehouse was cleaned spotless for the open house, even the bay had a new coat of paint applied everywhere. Every one of the guys worked really hard over the last several weeks to make the station look immaculate for the event. My "hats off" to them!

Do Next Month
Unit 2659, the new 100ft Pierce Aerial Ladder has been up and running since last week! The Board will need to declare Unit 2653 surplus at the August meeting so that we can start the process of listing the truck on EBay.

Overtime Issues

- ✓ We still have several firefighters off from work because of recent surgeries. Larry Heaphy should return around the first of October from having knee surgery. Kent Monohan might be able to return late August or early September from shoulder surgery. Ron Renner just had knee surgery last Friday and I have not heard from him about how long he will be off. Both Major Dugan and Sgt. McCune have switched to shift work to help offset the overtime cost.
- ✓ Major Dugan and I will be attending the IAFC Chief's Conference in Dallas, Texas August 24th thru August 29th. Asst. Chief Monohan will be in charge of day to day operations in my absence.

NEXT WE MAKE A RECOMMENDATION

We need to decide this Thursday on legislative representation for the upcoming KY General Assembly Session. Bob Benson has been recommended again this year by the Jefferson County Trustees Association; however there are several districts in opposition of this.

Please see the attached memo about the Kiwanis Firefighter of the Year Award.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call!

*JACK - WORK OUT
RICK - A WAY TO
TOM - KEEP ANY
CHIEF - REP IN
FRANKFORT*

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**Trustees Meeting Agenda
August 13, 2009**

- I. ✓ Call to Order *5:29*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report
 - (a) Auditor Recommendation – Audit Committee – *KEEP SAME*
 - (b) Truck Financing Report – Jim Graven - Update *DONE*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - (a) EMS – Update *Discuss Next Month* ①
 - (b) Sale of 2653 *Hold UNTIL Next Month* ②
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - (c) *HL Riny & B. Montgomery Co Chair Dist History*
 - (d) *SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATIVE REP. IN FRANKFORT*
 - (a) Reunion Committee - Monohan
 - (b) Mower Purchase – Committee (E) *DUNCAN ESTATE MATTER*
(Approved) 2 units *Hold UNTIL Next Month* ③
- VI. New Business
 - (a) Review of Exercise Program - Seng
- VII. Executive Session – If needed.
- VIII. The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on August 20, 2009 at 7:00 pm – Highview Fire Department, Station #1
- IX. The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on September 10, 2009 – Thursday at 5:30 pm

2009

August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Al Ring appointed the Districts Official Historian.

Approved

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

August 13, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on August 13, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Jim Graven, Sam McCune, Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan, Dave Dugan, Mike Frantz, Michael Monohan, Greg Crabb, Dan Doyle, Louis Stoke, Mike Richardson and Nick Clark.

Tom Eifler congratulated Mike Richardson for being named as the Kiwanis Club St. Matthews Firefighter of the Year.

Minutes

The minutes of the July 15, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan moved; Faye Ellerkamp seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for July was \$1,976.26.

The District ended July, the first month of the fiscal year, in good shape with total expenses of 7.97% of the budget. The only area of the budget out of line on expenses was overtime. Chief Seng told the board that the cause for the overtime spike was a combination of 3 firefighters off on medical issues and the summer vacation period.

The District cashed in CD's with Wilson & Muir and First Capital Bank to meet current expenses. These CD's had the lowest interest rates.

Chief Seng reported that the final numbers from the PVA estimate that our tangible goods income will be below our budgeted amount. The board discussed the issue and will make adjustment to the budget later if necessary.

2009

August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Al Ring appointed the Districts Official Historian.

The audit committee reported that they had 5 proposals to do the 2009-2010 audit.

McIntyre & Wooldridge	\$ 7,100
William Hollister	\$ 8,500
Buchenberger, Darst, & Eggers	\$ 9,600
Potter & Company	\$ 9,500
Cotton & Allen	\$10,000

The board discussed the options and it was pointed out that Cotton & Allen had done excellent work in previous years and knew from experience all the details of the job which would make for less work for the staff. The cost difference in the proposals was also discussed. Also throughout the year they are always available to us for various questions and do not bill us for this additional work.

Jack Monohan moved to hire Cotton & Allen to do the 2009-2010 audit.
Jim Graven seconded; the motion passed 6-1 with John Volkerding voting no.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

The Fire District's Open House/Alumni party was a success. All involved had a good time meeting with old friends and checking out the District's new equipment.

Chief Seng thanks the firefighters for all of their hard work preparing the station for the open house. It has never looked better. Jack Monohan reported that the Alumni Association was very happy with the turnout and would be meeting soon to discuss future plans.

The new truck 2659 is now in service. 2653 can be declared surplus and sold. The board discussed the options on selling 2653, including selling it on EBay. There were several questions about just what FEMA would allow us to do with the truck. Chief Seng will check with FEMA and report back at the September meeting. The matter was tabled.

Kent Monohan, Larry Heaphy, and Ron Renner remain off duty for medical issues. Kent Monohan may be able to return to work in late August. Charles McCune and Dave Dugan are still filling in for them on their shifts.

Major Dugan and Chief Seng will be attending the IAFC Conference in Dallas, Texas August 24th thru August 29th. Assistant Chief Monohan will be in charge of day to day operations during that period.

Because of the recent rash of medical issues, that may or may not be related to the District's workout program, Chief Seng has asked the trainers to adjust the

2009

August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Al Ring appointed the Districts Official Historian.

program more for cardio and endurance work and less muscle building through weight lifting. The trainers expect to begin the new program next week.

The Station Two commercial lawn mowers are very old and need to be replaced. Captain Dan Doyle headed up a committee from Station Two to make a recommendation on what mowers they felt would do the job best. Chief Seng told the board that because of safety concerns, he has ruled out any type of riding mowers. The committee reported that they decided on 2-48" commercial self-propelled mowers and had received 2 proposals.

The Mower Shop	\$ 8764.80
2-48" Exmark hydro mowers jungle wheels	

Louisville Tractor	\$10,111.20
2-48" Scag hydro mowers with 2 wheel velkes	

After trying out both models, the committee recommended the Exmark mowers. for both ease of use and price.

Jack Monohan moved to purchase 2 Exmark mowers for \$8764.80 from The Mower Shop.. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for August 2009.

Fire Research Digital Flow Meters for Training	\$1700.00
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The board discussed with Captain Mike Richardson the need and uses for the meters. Mike explained that he had researched the other models and determined that these were right for our needs.

Jim Graven moved to approve the flow meters. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Chief Seng reported that he had talked with other districts that have begun using the new David Response Level with Metro EMS. It appears the run response level is much lower than in the past but the numbers are still very preliminary. He will report back with a recommendation next month.

Chief Seng passed out a memorandum from our attorney John Treitz concerning the settlement of the Anne Stuart Duncan estate. Nothing has been settled and more information will be available next month.

2009

August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Al Ring appointed the Districts Official Historian.

New Business

Jack Monohan reported that Al Ring was interested in being appointed as the District's official historian. Al has written the book on the history of the department and has developed an excellent website with the department's history. The board discussed the need to have a member of the staff assist Al Ring in his work.

Chief Seng pointed out that firefighter Brendan Montgomery manages the districts official web site and had worked with Al in the past.

Rick Tonini moved to appoint AL Ring as the District's official historian and Brandon Montgomery as assistant historian. Jim Graven seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Jack Monohan told the board that the Trustees Association was in the process of hiring a lobbyist for the 2010 legislative session in Frankfort. As of today, Bob Benson is the only candidate for the job. Several departments have announced they will not contribute because of financial concerns and several others may not participate if Bob Benson is the lobbyist hired. The board discussed its options, including looking for a different lobbyist who may be more effective. The board agreed that the need in 2010 is too great not to have a lobbyist, but tabled the matter to research options other than Bob Benson.

Jim Graven suggested that we move the Board to a noon meeting instead of our current time of 5:30 in the evening. Tom Eifler polled the board on moving the meeting to 12:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. There were no objections, so the board agreed to try the new meeting time in September.

The next board meeting will be September 10, 2009 at 12:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Rick Tonini moved and John Volkerding seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 6:46 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

2009

August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Fire Protection District**

240 Sears Avenue
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As mentioned to the Board at last month's Trustees meeting, the fire district is in need of replacing both lawn mowers at Station 2. Both mowers are just about original to the Station which places them to be about 20 years old. The original mowers were 36" self-propelled walk behinds which were manufactured by the Bunton Company which was located here in Louisville, KY. Since the original purchase of the mowers in 1989 the Bunton Company closed in Louisville and the name was purchased by another mower manufacturer.

Capt. Dan Doyle was asked to research the replacement of the two original mowers and to report back to me the outcome of which mower the majority of Station 2 personnel preferred.

The two mowers that were selected and tested by every Station 2 firefighter were the Scag 48" Hydro Walkbehind and the Exmark 48" Hydro Walkbehind. After ample review, the majority of the firefighters selected the Exmark mower over the Scag.

The prices of the two mowers are as follows:


Exmark 48" Hydro Walkbehind Mower with 2 wheel dolly:	\$4382.40	\$8764.80
Scag 48" Hydro Walkbehind Mower with 2 wheel dolly:	\$5055.60	\$10,111.20



August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

2009 Smoke Detector Program Draft Door Hangers
Designed by Brendan Montgomery, Text by Capt. Joe Wolfe

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2009

August 13, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Written: 8/10/09

Payable To:

Authorization # _____

ST. MATTHEWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION

Nature of Expenditure:

_____ **Operations** _____ **Emergency**
 _____ **Capital** _____ **Regular -non budgeted**
 _____ **Regular - Budgeted**

Amount \$ 1,700.00

Approved by _____ **Disbursement Check #** _____

Date _____ **Date** _____

Details: Fire Research Digital Flow Meter with 2.5" and 4" Flow Tubes

This is a request to purchase a Fire Research Digital Flow Meter with 2.5" and 4" Flow Tubes. See the attached for more information.

FTA400-025 Flow Meter with 2.5" Flow Tube \$1,300.00

FTA400-040 4" Flow Tube Only \$400.00

(prices are "list quote", actual cost should be lower)

This Flow Meter would be used for both Training and Maintenance functions. From a training standpoint, it would allow us to develop and demonstrate appropriate flow rates for all of the St Matthew's apparatus and equipment. From a maintenance standpoint, it would allow us to confirm if flow rates are appropriate from apparatus, equipment, hydrants and fire suppression systems. St Matthews does not currently own any type of similar Flow Meter. In the past we have had to "make due" using smaller flow meters, or by "guestimating" flows using rough calculations. The recent introduction of 2659 has shown the need for equipment like this so that we can accurately calculate appropriate flows for the new apparatus and equipment.

INSIGHT Portable Flow Testers

Use the INSIGHT Portable FlowTester to determine the flow and pressure capabilities of a suppression system, flow test automatic nozzles, pumpers, or hydrants, calibrate equipment, test hydrant systems, or teach hydraulics in real situations.

The INSIGHT **Portable FlowTester** is an instrument that will measure flow rate directly without using charts or doing calculations. The tester is designed around the FRC INSIGHT digital flowmeter and a paddlewheel type flow sensor mounted in a flow tube.

The **Portable FlowTester** consists of a shock resistant Pelican case into which a panel is mounted containing an INSIGHT digital flowmeter, a power switch, low battery indicator, and cable connections. The Pelican case also contains a rechargeable battery and an AC charger/power supply. A slot cutout in the front panel allows for the storage of cables.

The FlowTester can be powered by its internal rechargeable 12 volt battery, a 120 VAC source, or an external 12 VDC source (with optional cable). The battery charging unit is mounted inside the box. To charge the internal battery plug the cable into the AC CHARGER input on the front panel and connect the other end to a standard 120 VAC electrical outlet.

STANDARD FEATURES

- Programmable for Multiple Diameter Flow Tubes
- Totalizing Flow Function
- High and Low Flow Warnings
- Models for Flow and Pressure Testing with Optional Pitot Tube

MODELS

Part No	Long Description	Specs
INSIGHT Portable Flow Testers		
FTA400-000	Flowmeter, InSight, port, display box GPM only	r/f
FTA400-010	Flowmeter, InSight, port, 1.0", 1.0" swivel	N/A
FTA400-015	Flowmeter, InSight, port, 1.5", 13-320G, 2.5" swivel	r/f
FTA400-020	Flowmeter, InSight, port, 2", 21-520G, 2.5" swivel	r/f
FTA400-025	Flowmeter, InSight, port, 2.5", 30-850G, 2.5" swivel	r/f
FTA400-030	Flowmeter, InSight, port, 3", 40-1380G, NPT male	r/f
FTA400-040	Flowmeter, InSight, port, 4", 80-2300G, NPT male	r/f
INSIGHT Portable - Options		
FTAoption-B1	Flowmeter, DC Power cable, option	r/f
FTAoption-F1	Flow sensor w/ITT conn option	N/A
FTAoption-PF1	Flowmeter, Flow & Press, flow tube PITOT FITTING option	N/A
FTAoption-SC1	Flowmeter, No-Tube - 4" Saddle Clamp option	N/A
FTAoption	Flowmeter, 240VAC charger option	r/f

2009

August 14 & 15, 2009—Firefighter Combat Challenge :



St. Matthews Fire Department Firefighter Combat Challenge - Qualifying run at Lexington - August 15th, 2009. Kevin Moulton, Nick Heilmann, George Wiggins, Joe Bewely, and Michael Monohan were the competitors for St. Matthews Firefighter Combat Challenge Team



2009

August 14 & 15, 2009—Firefighter Combat Challenge :



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August 14 & 15, 2009—Firefighter Combat Challenge :



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August 14 & 15, 2009—Firefighter Combat Challenge :



Michael Monohan, Joe Bewley



George Wiggins, Joe Bewley, Kevin Moulton, Kevin Moulton, Nick Heilmann,



Nick Heilmann, Michael Monohan, Joe Bewley, George Wiggins, Kevin Moulton



Mitch Miller, Nick Heilmann, Michael Monohan, Joe Bewley, Matt Thoma, Kevin Moulton, George Wiggins



Michael Monohan, Matt Thoma, Joe Bewley, Nick Heilmann, Kevin Moulton, George Wiggins, Mitch Miller



2009

August 19, 2009: *The Courier-Journal*: Firefighters to compete in World Combat Challenge

ST. MATTHEWS

Firefighters to compete in World Combat Challenge

AUGUST 19, 2009

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A team of St. Matthews firefighters has qualified to compete in the World Firefighter Combat Challenge in Las Vegas Nov. 16-20.

Five St. Matthews firefighters competed in the relay portion of a recent regional Firefighter Combat Challenge in Lexington, where each individual performed a simulated firefighting task in rapid succession.

This competition involves competitors wearing 70 pounds of bunker gear as they simulate the physical demands of real-life firefighting. They perform a linked series of five tasks, including climbing a five-story tower with a 42-pound high-rise pack; hoisting a 42-pound hose bundle to the top of the five-story tower; then descending five stories to use a mallet to drive a 160-pound steel beam 5 feet.

Then competitors negotiate a 140-foot slalom course, to grab a charged hose and pull it 75 feet to blast a target. Finally, the firefighters must lift a 175-pound mannequin and drag it 100 feet.

The total time it takes the relay team to complete these events is recorded and teams race against themselves, their opponent and the clock.

The St. Matthews Relay team ran the course three times, advancing to the Sweet 16. Its qualifying time of 1 minute, 41 seconds made it a championship finalist, meaning the team members are eligible for the World competition in Las Vegas.

St. Matthews Fire District team members committed themselves to the rigorous physical demands of their career by beginning a strength and conditioning program implemented by Inferno Fitness several months ago.

Inferno Fitness (www.infernofitness.net) is a strength and conditioning service that works with fire departments.

— Matt Thoma, Inferno Fitness



Pictured from Left to Right: Michael Monohan, Matt Thoma (Trainer), Joe Bewley, Nick Heilmann, Kevin Moulton, George Wiggins, Mitch Miller (Trainer)

Courtesy STMFD web site, Brendan Montgomery:

EVENT 1 High-Rise Pack Carry

The competition starts at the base of the tower. The hose pack cannot be touched before the start. The 3" (7.62cm) hose load and cover (42 lb.; 19kg) may be carried in any manner and must be deposited into the container on the top floor with no part of the pack touching the deck. Both feet must be on the top deck before dropping the high-rise pack. A 2-second penalty will be assessed for either infraction. If a competitor misses the box, s/he may correct the position, but only before starting the next evolution. The high-rise pack may not be used as a step. A 10-second penalty will be imposed for this infraction. The hose load must stay on the top platform. The competitor is disqualified if the high-rise pack falls off the top of the tower. The handrails may be used in climbing the tower. Steps may be taken in multiples on the way up.



EVENT 2 Hose Hoist

A 42-lb. (19kg) donut roll of large diameter hose and 5/8" (16mm) kernmantle rope is used for this event. The competitor is not allowed to stand on anything other than the top platform while hoisting. The evolution is complete when the roll clears the railing at the top of the tower and is placed in the container on the top floor. The donut roll must ascend; loss of control (i.e., slippage of more than one balcony) will result in disqualification. Proper placement is on, or in the container with no part of the donut touching the deck. A 2-second penalty will be assessed for this infraction. The donut roll must stay on the top platform. Disqualification results with any loss of control of the donut roll, including it falling off the tower, rolling down the stairs or interfering with the adjacent competitor. If the competitor trips on the hoisting rope, s/he is responsible for any additional penalties. This task must be completed before 3 minutes has elapsed or a disqualification will result. A fallen donut roll may not be retrieved. Descending the tower, every step must be contacted and the handrail grasped. Failure to touch each step on the descent will result in a 2-second penalty per in-



fraction.

EVENT 3 Forcible Entry

The forcible entry evolution utilizes the Keiser Force Machine (a chopping simulator). Using the 9-lb. (4kg) shot mallet provided, and with both feet on the diamond plate surface, the competitor must drive the sled; a 160-lb. (72.5kg) steel beam a horizontal distance of 5-ft. (1.5m) Pushing, raking or hooking the beam is not allowed; only the head of the mallet is allowed to strike the beam. The handle must not come in contact with the beam at any time. The upper edge of the beam will be covered with pressure sensitive material, making infractions visible by a mark on the top edge of the beam. A 5-second penalty is assessed for each infraction after the first handle strike. Both hands must be above the tape mark on the handle (12-in. [30.5cm] from the top [head] end) at the point of impact. A 2-second penalty is assessed for every inch (2.5cm) or fraction thereof that the sled is short of the end of the tray. Any part of the hammer must be placed on the designated 3-ft.x4-ft. (84cmx121cm) mat. Contacting the mat is defined as the hammer being in contact with the imaginary plane that extends vertically from the border of the mat. A 2-second penalty is assessed for this infraction.



EVENT 4 Hose Advance

The competitor must negotiate the 140' (42.6m) slalom course without missing or knocking over any delineator (including the target); doing so will result in a 5-second penalty for each infraction. The competitor must pick up the nozzle end of the 1 3/4" (4.45cm) charged hose line, forward of the taped stripe 6' (1.8m) from the nozzle and drag it a distance of 75-ft (22.8m). Once the nozzle penetrates the swinging doors (i.e., crosses the threshold 75-ft. distant), the competitor opens the nozzle, hits the target with the water stream, shuts down the nozzle and places the nozzle on the pavement. A failure to advance the hose a distance of 75-ft. will result in a 10-second penalty. The nozzle must not be opened before engaging the swinging doors. A 2-second penalty will be assessed for this violation. Failure to drop the target will result in a 10-second penalty. If the nozzle is not shut before it is placed down, the competitor must go back and close it. If the Course Staff is required to shut off the nozzle, a 2-second penalty will be assessed. If the nozzle opens after hitting the ground, there is no penalty and the competitor can continue to the victim rescue evolution.



EVENT 5 Victim Rescue

A 175-lb. (79.4kg) Simulaids, Inc., Rescue Randy® mannequin must be lifted and dragged backwards a distance of 100-ft (30.5m). Carrying the dummy is not permitted. If any competitor crosses the course center delineator (i.e., goes out of lane), a 5-second penalty will be assessed for each infraction. Any contact with the opposing competitor will result in disqualification. The mannequin must not be grasped by its clothing or appendages. Time stops when the competitor and victim completely cross the finish line. The Course Marshal, at his sole discretion, may stop any competitor who in the official's opinion creates or is in a dangerous, unsafe or stressful condition. Spiking the dummy at anytime will result in disqualification. Spiking is defined as any elbow movement other than extension while releasing the dummy.



2009

2009, Talahi Chimney Fire:



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2009, Talahi Chimney Fire:



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Random summer 2009 shots from STMFD:



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Random summer 2009 shots from STMFD:



Louis Stoke



Nick Heilmann, Michael Monohan, Derrick, Miskell



Michael Monohan, Nick Heilmann



Gregg Crabb



Patrick R. Montague



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August 25, 2009, Letter:

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Louis A. Phillips
Mayor

August 25, 2009

Thomas Eifler Sr.
Board Chairman
St. Matthews Fire Protection District
122 Fairfax Avenue
Louisville, KY 40207

Re: Windy Hills Signature Entrance

Dear Tom:

The City of Windy Hills would like to install a signature entrance structure on the Fire Department property at the corner of Brownsboro Road and Hubbards Lane.

The first print shows the location from above, the second shows the design with dimensions (the dashed line over the end panels indicates they will be angled back) and the third shows how the sign will appear from Brownsboro looking east.

The structure will have a masonry base, the fencing will be wrought iron, the sign will be a metal casting and it will be landscaped which the City will maintain. Lighting of the sign is being considered.

Please inform us if this is acceptable and what type of agreements you would need.

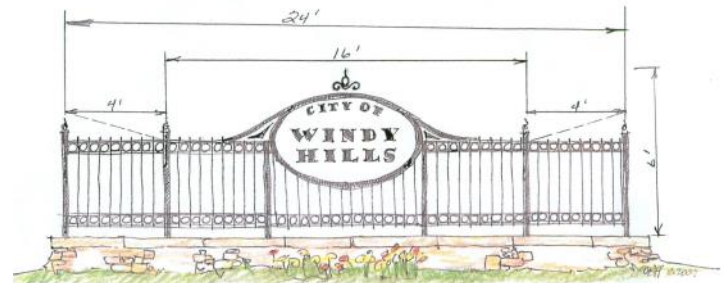
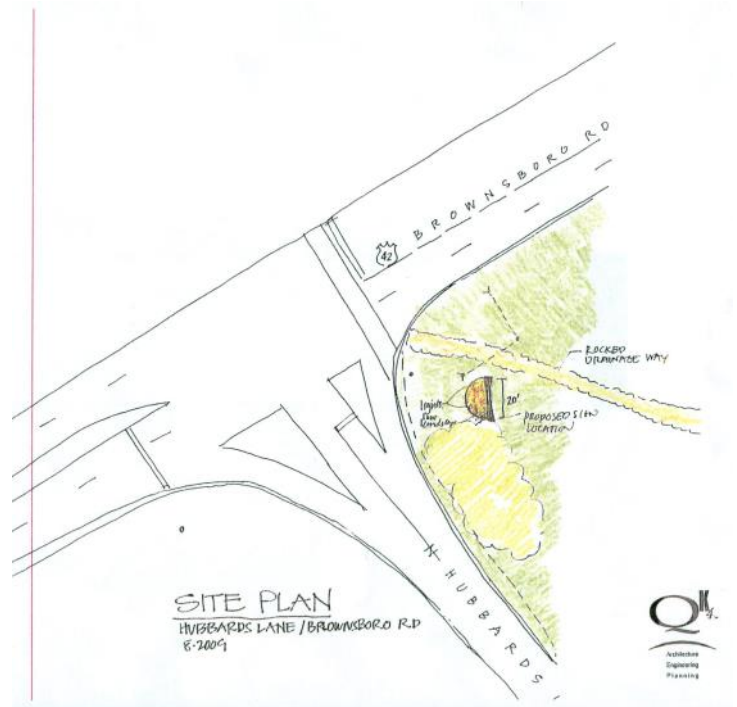
Sincerely,

Louis A. Phillips

Louis A. Phillips, Mayor
City of Windy Hills

cc: Foster Haunz

Summit Executive Suites
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info@cityofwindyhills.com



OPTION B

**CITY OF
WINDY HILLS**



2009

August, 2009, Incident Report:

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {08/01/2009} And {08/31/2009}


Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
Fire				
00 Fire, Other	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
11 Building fire	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
31 Passenger vehicle fire	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
601 Fires involving mulch or landscape	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
	4	3.63%	\$0	0.00%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
111 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	7	6.36%	\$0	0.00%
116 Medical assist, cancelled by squad after	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
117 Medical assist, assist EMS crew No Patient	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
131 Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
363 Swift water rescue	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
	13	11.81%	\$0	0.00%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
112 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
113 Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
140 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
142 Overheated motor	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
144 Power line down	4	3.63%	\$0	0.00%
145 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
151 Biological hazard, confirmed or suspected	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
163 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	3	2.72%	\$0	0.00%
	15	13.63%	\$0	0.00%
Service Call				
500 Service Call, other	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
511 Lock-out	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
561 Unauthorized burning	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	3	2.72%	\$0	0.00%
	10	9.09%	\$0	0.00%
Good Intent Call				
600 Good intent call, Other	9	8.18%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	13	11.81%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	4	3.63%	\$0	0.00%
650 Steam, Other gas mistaken for smoke, Other	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
Good Intent Call				
551 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
552 Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
	29	26.36%	\$0	0.00%
False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
730 System malfunction, Other	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	5	4.54%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	7	6.36%	\$0	0.00%
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	1	0.90%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	3	2.72%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	9	8.18%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	2	1.81%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	3	2.72%	\$0	0.00%
	33	30.00%	\$0	0.00%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster				
314 Lightning strike (no fire)	6	5.45%	\$0	0.00%
	6	5.45%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 110

Total Est Loss:

\$0

September 2009, 2653 on E-Bay:


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1986 Seagrave HT-07DH

St. Matthews FD 2653 - 1986 Seagrave 100' Aerial Truck



Time left: **8 days 1 hours** (Oct 03, 2009 - 14:30:45 PDT)

Bid history: [14 bids](#)

Current bid: **US \$6,600.00**

Enter maximum bid: **US \$**
(Enter US \$6,700.00 or more)

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Shipping: Buyer responsible for vehicle pick-up or shipping. Vehicle shipping quote is available.

Item Location: Louisville, Kentucky, United States

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Seller info

[bkmfireman](#) (57 ★) 100%

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1986 Seagrave HT-07DH

Title:	St. Matthews FD 2653 - 1986 Seagrave 100' Aerial Truck
Mileage:	31,504 miles
Location:	Louisville, Kentucky

Vehicle Information	
VIN:	1F9FW38H6GCST2036
Vehicle title:	Clear
Condition:	Used

Features

Type:	Fire	Engine make:	Detroit
Class:	Unknown	Engine horsepower:	450
Fuel type:	Diesel	Suspension type:	Spring
Number of axles:	Single		

Transmission type: Automatic
Transmission speeds: 5 Speed
Tire size: --

St. Matthews FD 2653 - 1986 Seagrave 100' Aerial Truck

Vehicle Description

St. Matthews Fire Dept. 2653 - 1986 Seagrave 100' Aerial Truck
 per FEMA grant this truck must be sold to a private individual

You are bidding on St. Matthews Fire Protection District, 100' Aerial Truck "2653"

St. Matthew FD purchased this truck new in 1986 and has been used as a front line piece until the arrival of a new Aerial, several months ago. This vehicle has had regular maintenance per manufacturer recommendations and department SOPs. Ladders were checked and certified in August. Vehicle runs and operates completely. The vehicle is equipped with radio-head sets for communication between the front and rear drivers.

The truck is sold "AS-IS." As stated above the truck has been used as a front line piece and therefore is in used conditions. The vehicle has been maintained and is in general very good conditions. When not making fire runs the vehicle has been stored inside a climate controlled bay. The auction includes the Apparatus and ladder complement. No tools or other equipment will be included.

Before, you bid please contact St. Matthews Fire Department if you have any questions. You may call 502-893-7825. Chief Monohan or Sgt. McCune will be able to answer specific questions. You can also call to setup a time to view the apparatus before bidding if you would like.

Vehicle Details:

1986 Seagrave 100' Aerial Truck
Date received at STMFD - 02/19/1986
Original Purchase price: \$273222.90

Manufactureer: SEAGRAVE
 Model: HT-07DH
 Year: 1986
 Serial or VIN number: 1F9FW38H6GCST2036
 Width: 8' 4"
 Height: 11'
 Length: 55' 6"

GVW 32400
Engine Manufacturer
Detroit diesel
Model - 8v-92
serial 8VF-055720
450 hp

Please contact Chief Monohan or Sgt. McCune at 502-893-7825 if you have any questions.

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September 2009, 2653 on E-Bay:



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September 2009, 2653 on E-Bay:



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September 4, 2009, Letter:

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Faye Ellerkamp

To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: September 4, 2009
Re: District Activity

Please don't forget that the Trustee's meeting for September is this coming Wednesday at 12:30pm. We will have lunch provided.

The reason for the change in the meeting is for the Board to review and discuss a course of action the District should take as it relates to the Duncan Estate. The earlier packet that you received this week contains a lot of information concerning the Estate of Anne Duncan. Please review all the information contained in the packet so that you may be prepared to discuss the issue on Wednesday. Attorney John Treitz will be present at the meeting also.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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September 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
September 9, 2009
12:30 p.m.

- I. ✓ Call to Order *12:30*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - (a) EMS – Update *NEXT MONTH*
 - (b) Sale of 2653 *E-Bay - Highest Bid After 10 DAYS*
 - (c) Surplus Mowers *Sealed Bid to Highest - open Bid @ NEXT Mtg.*
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - (a) Duncan Estate – Treitz *PRESENT @ MEETING*
 - (b) Windy Hills sign proposal – Eifler *AL R. up*
TAKE D.M.C. NEXT MONTH
- VI. New Business
 - (a) Web-site Information
- VII. Executive Session – If needed. *LEGAL UPDATE* *NO MINUTES & NO # REPORTS ON WEB SITE*
- VIII. The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on October 15, 2009 at 7:00 pm – St. Matthews, Station 1
- IX. The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on October 8, 2009 – Thursday at NOON

2009

September 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

September 9, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on September 9, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 12:30 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Jim Graven, Sam McCune, Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Dave Dugan, Matt Board, Ron Renner, and Derrick Miskell.

Minutes

The minutes of the August 13, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Rick Tonini moved; Jack Monohan seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for July was \$331.18.

The District ended August, the second month of the fiscal year, in good shape with total expenses of 16.27% of the budget. Overtime continues to be the only problem area in expenses, but was reduced in August. Chief Seng told the board that that he is working on a plan to reduce the rapid growth of overtime expenses. The District cashed in CD's with Wilson & Muir to meet current expenses.

Rick Tonini moved to approve the treasurer's report. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

Kent Monohan and Larry Heaphy remain off duty for medical issues. Kent Monohan may be able to return to work sometime in September. Charles McCune and Dave Dugan are still filling in for them on their shifts. Ron Renner has returned to work from his injured knee.

2009

September 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Chief Seng reported that he is still waiting for numbers from Metro EMS on the new response plan and wants to receive the data before making a recommendation on the plan.

Chief Seng reported that after researching options for selling 2653 as surplus, he recommends using EBay. It will give us maximum exposure to collectors and others who may have a non-firefighting use for the truck. Because our grant requires the department to not sell the truck to another fire department, the bidders could be limited. Jack Monohan moved to declare 2653 surplus and sell it on EBay. Sam McCune seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Seng reported that the new mowers for Station 2 are now in service and for the need to declare the old mowers surplus and sell them. Rick Tonini moved to declare the two old mowers at station 2 surplus. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously. The board discussed how best to sell them and decided to take sealed bids at the October 8th board meeting. Chief Seng will get the word out to other departments.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for September 2009.

Replace Front and Rear Brakes on 2658	\$3,350.00
Door Hangers for Smoke Detector Program	\$1,006.38
Replace 4 Rear Tires on 2658	\$1,865.00
Workbench and Tools for station 2	\$ 500.00
Fire Safety DVD for seniors	\$ 314.55
6 NFPA/ANSI Firefighter Jackets	\$2,000.00
Router Firewall for Station 1	\$ 500.00
Portable Radio Batteries	\$ 600.00

All items are budgeted.

Rick Tonini moved to approve all requested expenditures. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

The District's attorney, John Treitz, was present to discuss the Duncan Estate options and details.

Jack Monohan moved to go into executive session to discuss a legal matter. Sam McCune seconded; the motion passed unanimously at 1:16 p.m.

The board returned from executive session at 1:30 p.m. and took no action.

2009

September 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

New Business

Tom Eifler reported to the board that the City of Windy Hills has proposed a Signature Entrance for the city on District property at the corner of Hubbard's Lane and Brownsboro Road. The gate-type sign would be maintained and paid for by Windy Hills. The board discussed the issue at length including the department's desire to have a sign for the station in the same area.

Chairman Eifler asked if Chief Seng and Jim Graven would serve as a committee to work with Mayor Phillips on this issue. The board tabled the measure until the next meeting when the committee will make its report. One of the suggested options would be to ask Windy Hills about the possibility of a shared sign paid for by Windy Hills.

The next board meeting will be October 8, 2009 at 12:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Sam McCune moved and John Volkerding seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 1:45 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

September 10, 2009, E-mail sent to Al Ring about information to use or not use on his site. This must have been discussed in private because it is not reflected in the minutes.

Subj: **Board Minutes and Financials**
Date: 9/10/2009 10:37:38 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time
From: Seng@stmatthewsfd.com
To: ringal@comcast.net, M1Monohan@aol.com

Al, the Board has taken a position that they do not want to post the districts monthly Board minutes or Financial information on our web site or the internet at this time! You can give Jack or I a call if you have any questions.

Thanks!

William J. Seng
Fire Chief
St. Matthews Fire Protection District
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seng@stmatthewsfd.com

2009

September 26, 2009, Memo:

JEFFERSON COUNTY REGIONAL FIRE SCHOOL

Saturday, September 26, 2009

at McMahan Fire Protection District
4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, KY 40220

21th ANNUAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

FIRE TRUSTEES WORKSHOP

Sponsored by Jefferson County Fire Trustees Association

AGENDA

- 7:00- 7:45 Registration and Continental Breakfast.
- 7:45-7:50 **INVOCATION - SALUTE - WELCOME:** Chuck Bauer, Jefferson County Fire Service
- RECOGNITION OF OUR FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS**
- 7:50-8:30 **WHEN CPA IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN A LAWYER - FPD FINANCES**
(1) Should a Fire District consult with an outside CPA instead of the Audit CPA?
(2) All the answers to Taxable Benefits Issues [Compendium Section S].
(3) How to use every single tax loophole for Firefighters.
McCauley Nicolas & Company Certified Public Accounts, KY and IN.
- 8:30-9:10 **PROSECUTION OF TRUSTEE MISCONDUCT AND CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK**
(1) How official misconduct criminal cases are handled [Compendium §V, V].
(2) Criminal records affect on applicants [C§N] and Firefighter Discipline [C§I].
(3) Chief Legal Advisor for all of Metro Government Agencies and Boards.
Honorable Michael J. O'Connell, Jefferson County Attorney ND 74'
- 9:10-9:30 **25 LEGAL CHANGES SINCE 2002 TO FPD BY-LAWS**
Maurice Byrne discusses revisions to FTA Compendium B-2 FPD By-Laws].
- 9:30-9:50 **BEST WAY TO CHAIR A BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND TO SELECT A CHIEF.**
Ron Wolf, Metro Louisville Intergovernmental Relations & Middletown FPD Trustee
- 9:50-10:00 Rest Period!!
- 10:00-10:20 **SECRETS TO SELECTING THE BEST FIRE CHIEF AND OFFICERS!**
Corporate Recruiter Marty Cherol, PharMerica and Fern Creek FPD Trustee
- 10:20-10:45 **50 LEGAL MISTAKES IN YOUR EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK THAT WILL COST YOU!**
Fred R. Simon and Maurice A. Byrne discuss legalities that triple damages.
- 10:45-11:00 **MOST IMPORTANT SERVICES OF THE KENTUCKY FIRE COMMISSION**
Executive Director Ronnie Day, Kentucky Fire Commission
- 11:00-11:20 **2009 LEGISLATION & KY FIRE CHIEFS FIGHT HOME BUILDERS FOR SAFETY!**
Jack V Reckner, former Chief of Jeffersontown FPD and Ky Fire Chiefs President.
- 11:20-12:00 **\$35,000 OWED EACH FIREFIGHTER IF YOU KEEP COUNTING THE SAME WAY!**
Maurice Byrne discusses "hourly wage rate", incentive pay and 10,000 problems!
- Lunch* 12:00 [Regular Trustees Class ends; Class for New Trustees continues to 3:00 P.M.].
- 12:30 -3:00 **OVERVIEW OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A KRS CHAPTER 75 TRUSTEE**
FTA Legal Compendium: §B Board of Trustees; §C Elections;
§D Open Meetings; §F Finances; §I Discipline; §N Firefighter Membership.

Questions to: Terri Livers Terri.Livers@louisvilleky.gov or Mo Byrne Byrnemo@bellsouth.net

2009

October 3, 2009, Letter:

*Smoke Detectors
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To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: October 3, 2009
Re: District Activity

Don't forget that the October Trustees meeting will be this Thursday at 12:00 Noon at Station 1. Lunch will be provided.

Unit 2653 has been sold on E-bay for \$9,500.00. The winning bidder was Mr. Tom Eifler. We will transfer the title sometime next week.

The two old Bunton lawn mowers from Station 2 have been up for bid for the last several weeks. Any bids submitted will be opened during the Trustees Meeting this Thursday.

Capt. Larry Heaphy has been cleared to return back to work from being off duty on Workers Compensation for almost six months. He is set to start his first shift on October 19th.

The computer server that stores all of the fire department fire runs and data has been out of service for several days now. I have put a call in to our Technical Support people and they promise me that they will be out here on Wednesday to fix the issue. As for now, we are storing data the old fashion way, paper and pencil!

I will update everyone during the Trustees meeting as to the status of the Duncan Estate.

There are no EA requests for this month.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about the fire department, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Thanks!

2009

October, 2009, 2653 bid:

eBay.com Item Bid History

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Item number: 200387318782



St. Matthews FD 2653 - 1986 Seagrave 100' Aerial Truck

Winning bid: US \$9,500.00

Shipping: Check item description and payment instructions or contact seller for details.

Bidders: 11 Bids: 37 Time Ended: Oct-03-09 14:30:45 PDT
Duration: 10 days

Sorry, you were outbid. This item sold for US \$9,500.00

Only actual bids (not automatic bids generated up to a bidder's maximum) are shown. Automatic bids may be placed days or hours before a listing ends. Learn more about bidding.

Show automatic bids

Bidder	Bid Amount	Bid Time
r***t (232 ★)	US \$9,500.00	Oct-03-09 14:30:35 PDT
r***t (232 ★)	US \$9,500.00	Oct-03-09 14:30:02 PDT
e***e (29 ☆)	US \$9,400.00	Oct-03-09 14:30:30 PDT
e***e (29 ☆)	US \$9,200.00	Oct-03-09 14:30:27 PDT
e***e (29 ☆)	US \$9,000.00	Oct-03-09 14:19:31 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$8,600.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:10 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$8,500.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:08 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$8,400.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:07 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$8,300.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:06 PDT

l***n (0)	US \$8,200.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:04 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$8,100.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:03 PDT
i***4 (30 ☆)	US \$8,000.00	Oct-03-09 14:12:57 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$8,000.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:02 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$7,800.00	Oct-03-09 14:17:00 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$7,600.00	Oct-03-09 14:16:57 PDT
i***4 (30 ☆)	US \$7,500.00	Oct-03-09 14:11:50 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$7,500.00	Oct-03-09 14:16:54 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$7,300.00	Oct-03-09 06:40:06 PDT
i***4 (30 ☆)	US \$7,200.00	Oct-02-09 20:42:57 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$7,100.00	Oct-02-09 08:35:05 PDT
i***4 (30 ☆)	US \$7,000.00	Sep-29-09 20:22:07 PDT
a***r (0)	US \$7,000.00	Sep-29-09 22:08:01 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$6,800.00	Sep-24-09 15:22:02 PDT
9***r (0)	US \$6,700.00	Sep-29-09 09:50:04 PDT
e***e (29 ☆)	US \$6,500.00	Sep-24-09 14:04:48 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$6,500.00	Sep-24-09 15:21:41 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$6,200.00	Sep-24-09 15:19:37 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$5,900.00	Sep-24-09 15:18:46 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$5,600.00	Sep-24-09 15:18:28 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$5,200.00	Sep-24-09 12:34:11 PDT
e***e (29 ☆)	US \$5,200.00	Sep-24-09 14:03:53 PDT
s***s (70 ★)	US \$5,000.00	Sep-24-09 07:07:43 PDT
l***n (0)	US \$5,000.00	Sep-24-09 12:33:46 PDT
l***r (3)	US \$4,350.00	Sep-24-09 09:59:20 PDT
d***f (15 ☆)	US \$4,250.00	Sep-24-09 06:25:53 PDT
s***a (104 ★)	US \$3,500.00	Sep-24-09 06:18:12 PDT
n***r (126 ★)	US \$3,001.00	Sep-23-09 15:38:51 PDT
Starting Price	US \$3,000.00	Sep-23-09 14:30:45 PDT

If you and another bidder placed the same bid amount, the earlier bid takes priority.

2009

October 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
October 8, 2009
Noon

- I. ✓ Call to Order *12:02*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report *Approved*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - (a) EMS – Update *No Update – wait & see*
 - (b) Sale of 2653 - Update *To: Tom Eifler*
 - (c) Surplus Mowers – Bids *– 150.00 For both*
 - (d) Overtime Report - Seng *– No Report – Again Next Month*
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - (a) Duncan Estate – Treitz *TAKE OFFER & RUN*
 - (b) Windy Hills sign proposal – Graven & Seng *TOP OF HILL – OR FORGET*
- VI. ✓ New Business *CELL TOWER – NEW PROVIDER WILL BE ADDED*
- VII. ✓ Executive Session – If needed. *12:25 to 12:32 – NO ACTION TAKEN.*
- VIII. ✓ The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on October 15, 2009 at 7:00 pm – St. Matthews, Station 1
- IX. ✓ The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on November 12, 2009 – Thursday at NOON

2009

October 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

October 8, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on October 8, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, John Volkerding, Rick Tonini, Jim Graven, Sam McCune, Faye Ellerkamp and Jack Monohan. Also present were Chief Seng, Stuart Monohan and Dave Dugan.

Minutes

The minutes of the September 9, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan moved; Sam McCune seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

Our CRC revenue for September was \$1,530.91. The three-month total is \$3,838.35 and on track to exceed our budget estimate.

The District ended September, the third month of the fiscal year, in excellent shape with total expenses of 23.67% of the budget. Overtime expenses are still over budget, but have been reduced.

A CD with Commonwealth Bank was cashed in to meet current expenses.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Faye Ellerkamp seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

Captain Larry Heaphy is expected to return to duty after six months of being off-duty for a worker's comp medical issue.

2009

October 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Chief Seng reported that he is still waiting for data from Metro EMS regarding the new response plan. He will evaluate the plan data, as soon as EMS provides it, and then make a recommendation accordingly.

Chief Seng reported that when the bidding ended for surplus unit 2653 Tom Eifler had submitted the winning bid of \$9,500. When the E-Bay bidding ended there were 37 total bids received, submitted by 11 different bidders, over the 10 day bidding period. The E-Bay bidding results were made a part of the minutes and are attached.

There were three bids submitted for the two surplus Bunton mowers from Station 2. Tom Eifler opened the bids. The results were as follows.

Dave Dugan	\$ 78	for mower #59705
P. Montague	\$150	for both mowers
L. Stoke	\$110	for both mowers

The Board discussed which bid to accept. After the discussion, it was decided that due to Dave Dugan and Patrick Montague having the highest bids that they would each get a mower.

Chief Seng requested no expenditures for October 2009.

Old Business

The Duncan Estate mediation is scheduled for October 13th. The District has submitted a list of projects for Station 2 for consideration.

Windy Hills has met with Jim Graven and does not like the sign location option presented by the District. They have again requested to erect the sign at the corner of Hubbard's Lane and Brownsboro Road. The Board again discussed the idea. Jim Graven moved to approve only the Brownsboro Road location. Jack Monohan seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Jack Monohan moved to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Sam McCune seconded; the motion passed unanimously at 12:20 p.m.

The Board returned from executive session at 12:30 p.m. and no action was taken.

New Business

Verizon Wireless may be interested in locating equipment on the District's tower at station 2. If their equipment is added it will allow the District to receive additional rent per our contract with T-Mobile.

The next board meeting will be November 11, 2009 at 12:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Jack Monohan moved and Jim Graven seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously at 12:50 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

2009

October 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Mediation Agreement And Order

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
JEFFERSON DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NUMBER 06-P-04704

Approved

MEDIATION AGREEMENT AND ORDER

In Re the Estate of Anne Stuart Duncan

The parties having mediated this matter and agreed, it is hereby ordered and adjudged as follows:

1. The following assumptions are made:
 - a. The current net estate for Anne Stuart Duncan is estimated to be \$369,000.
 - b. The current remaining administrative costs and taxes are estimated to be \$32,500.
2. From the proceeds the Executor shall make the following charitable donations:
 - a. \$11,500 to ASPCA, Kentucky Humane Society, St. Leonard's Church, the SPOT Fund and Mockingbird Valley Preservation Association.
 - b. \$83,750 to Metro for the following purposes:
 - i. \$48,750 to the Metro Fire District Historical Museum at 6th & York Streets;

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- ii. \$25,000 to Metro Animal Services for the Cat Adoption Room at the new facility;
 - iii. \$10,000 for a heat imaging device for Metro Engine 21.
 - c. \$49,000 to St. Matthews Fire District for:
 - i. Matching funds for FEMA firefighter tracking devices
 - ii. Vehicle passenger removal equipment which will be utilized throughout the community;
 - d. \$30,000 too North Oldham Fire District for a bunk room.
 - e. \$4,750 plus any sums not distributed to deceased firemen (as listed on handwritten memorandum) to be donated with St. Matthews Fire District receiving 55% and North Oldham Fire District receiving 45% so that they may purchase gear for firefighters;
 - f. If Administrative expenses and taxes are less than \$32,500, the remaining amount of the \$32,500 will be donated with Metro Fire Department receiving 50% for Engine 21; and the other 50% being divided with St. Matthews receiving Fire District receiving 55% and North Oldham Fire District receiving 45% so that they may purchase gear for firefighters;
 - g. Remainder in estate shall be split among the persons listed in the handwritten memorandum as previously proffered to Court;
3. The hearing scheduled at 2:01 PM on October 28, 2009, is hereby remanded and the objections of Mr. Treitz are withdrawn (regarding distributions to the persons listed in the handwritten memorandum).

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4. The handwritten Mediation Settlement with signatures of Honorable John Treitz, Chief Richard Albers and Honorable Sarah Almy is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Judge David Bowles
Jefferson District Court
Probate Division

Date Entered: _____

Tendered by:

Sarah Sturgeon Almy
SARAH STURGEON ALMY, PLLC
1611 Rosewood Avenue
Louisville KY 40204

2009

October 8, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Analysis & Windy Hills

Project: Cost analysis for entry level firefighter to try to reduce overtime.

On the average there is either one vacation day or sick day taken every day of the week Monday through Friday. This equates to approximately about 5800 hrs of overtime.

If one person was hired 8-5 to cover the sick and vacation time used during that 8 to 5 time period it would reduce the overtime hours by approximately 2080 hrs.

Below is a detailed comparison of the savings that would be created by hiring one 8 to 5 day staff person.

	(24/48) Shift FF on OT	(40hr) Day Staff FF using straight time	
Cost Basis (2080 hrs)	\$41,600	avg \$20 hr	\$36,836 \$17.71 hr rate
CERS Contribution	\$14,560		\$12,892
FICA	\$3,120		\$2,762
Total	\$59,280		\$52,490
Additional cost for new FF Insurance			\$4,100 1 per, \$13,080 family
Total Cost:	\$59,280	\$56,590	\$65,570

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Louis A. Phillips
Mayor

October 15, 2009

Thomas Eifler Sr.
Board Chairman
St. Matthews Fire Protection District
122 Fairfax Ave.
Louisville, KY 40207

Re: Windy Hills Signature Entrance

Dear Tom:

We appreciate your offer of the area on Brownsboro Road East of the Fire Department Driveway for a signature entrance. The City Council and Qk4, our design consultant, prefer the site on the corner of Brownsboro Road and Hubbards Lane. Our desire is to provide identity for our City which is sorely lacking now and not to infringe on the identity of the St. Matthews Fire Department or Fire Station No. 2.

Accordingly we have another proposal to offer which may meet both our needs. We have taken our original proposal and superimposed "Home of St. Matthews Fire Station No. 2" on the lower part of the structure per the attached. All of the other commitments we have made are still applicable.

Please inform us if this might be an acceptable compromise

Sincerely,


Lou Phillips, Mayor
City of Windy Hills

cc: Foster Haunz
David Reed, Qk4
David Heyne, Qk4



OPTION B

CITY OF
WINDY HILLS

Summit Executive Suites
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Louisville, KY 40207-1667
(502) 895-4778 Fax (502) 895-4757
info@cityofwindyhills.com

2009

October 11, 2009: *The Courier-Journal*, by Jere Downs:

Fire drill enthralls, educates families at waterfront

For the mostly pre-kindergarten set and their parents, the Great Louisville Fire Drill at Waterfront Park on Sunday offered free hot dogs and homemade chili, balloons, entertainment and instruction on safety fundamentals designed to prevent fire injuries and deaths.

Eyes glowing with excitement, J.D. Wiegand, 3, of Jeffersontown, led his mother and grandmother first on a tour of antique, restored firetrucks parked on the Ohio River wharf.

An inflatable firetruck nearby, complete with two slides, was next on his list.

"This is fantastic," Debbie Wiegand, the boy's grandmother, remarked as he explored the rear cab of a fire engine and fingered equipment inside.

"Boys never outgrow it," she added. "Then they grow up to be big boys and want to go into it."

Her description fit Jack Monohan, 73, retired assistant chief of the St. Matthews Fire Department.

Monohan kept a watchful eye over his restored, Ford Model A Fire Chief sedan parked nearby, attended by fellow firetruck enthusiasts from the Derby City chapter of the Fire Apparatus Association.

A firefighter in St. Matthews from 1951 to 1993, Monohan spoke fondly of the camaraderie he enjoys with others who scrounge for, restore, and lovingly display restored firetrucks at events like the 25th Annual Great Louisville Fire Drill on Sunday.

Firefighting "was a vocation for me," Monohan said.

The event is a highlight of regional fire-prevention events in October, said Sgt. Salvador Melendez, the spokesman for Louisville Fire & Rescue.

So far this year fires have caused 16 deaths in Jefferson County, compared to five in 2008. He said major contributors of fire deaths are lack of a working smoke detector or an escape plan from the home. The more deaths this year were in part a result of fires that took place in homes with many family members, he said.

Many homes in the Louisville area lack working smoke detectors, he added, because batteries in the units die or residents disable the units because of alarms caused by cooking smoke and other minor incidents.

"Every time we make a run to a home, we do a home inspection, and make sure a fire alarm is in a place where it needs to be," Melendez said. "We install one for them at no cost to them."

According to the National Fire Prevention Association, nearly two-thirds of fire deaths from 2003 through 2006 took place in homes with no smoke alarm, or a nonfunctional smoke alarm.

Smoking accounts for most home fire deaths, the association reported in a press release, followed by fires sparked by cooking equipment, heating equipment, electrical wiring or lighting products. The coming months of December, January and February are when one third of home fires and fire deaths take place, the association added.

Besides family fun, perhaps the most important feature of the event was a fire safety trailer where children and their parents were instructed on how fires start in the kitchen and the bedroom and what to do.

"The thing that I want the kids to see is the fire safety trailer," Melendez said.



By Michael Clevenger, The Courier-Journal
Ezra Sowder, 3, checked out the fire trucks on display along the waterfront. Sowder was decked out in a firefighter costume, the same one that he will wear for Halloween.

2009

October, 2009, City of Indian Hills October Fest;



2009

October 18, 2009 Courtesy Brendan Montgomery:



Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge

Inferno Fitness / STMFD
Firefighter
Combat Chal-
lenge Team,
Evansville, IN



Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge



Nick Heilmann, Joe Bewley, Michael Monohan, George Wiggins



Bewley, Monohan, Heilmann, Wiggins



George Wiggins, Michael Monohan, Joe Bewley



Jackson Helson, Joe Wolfe, Elizabeth Wolfe, Moss



Nick Heilmann, Joe Bewley, George Wiggins, Michael Monohan



Michael Monohan

2009

October 18, 2009 Courtesy Brendan Montgomery:

**Inferno Fitness / STMFD
Firefighter
Combat Chal-
lenge Team,
Evansville, IN**



George Wiggins



Nick Heilmann



George Wiggins, Joe Bewley, Michale Monohan



Bewley, Monohan, Wiggins, Heilmann



Wiggins, Monohan, Heilmann



The Team



Bewley, Heilmann, Monohan, Wiggins



Nick Heilmann

2009

October 18, 2009 Courtesy Brendan Montgomery:



Bewley, Heilmann,



Monohan, Wiggins, Bewely, Heilmann



Our Team



George Wiggins, Joe Bewley



Nick Heilmann, Michael Monohan



Wiggins, Monohan, Heilmann



George Wiggins



Nick Heilmann

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October 18, 2009 Courtesy Brendan Montgomery:



Michael Monohan, Nick Heilmann



Michael Monohan



Joe Bewley



Wiggins, Heilmann, Monohan, Bewley

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Nick Heilmann, Joe Bewley



Monohan, Wiggins, Heilmann, Bewley



Our Team

2009

October 2009:

Crew & Staff

ST. MATTHEWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Marshals

Chief Bill Seng
Asst. Chief Stuart Monohan
Major Dave Dugan

Administrative Asst.
Jordan Davis



Station 1- 1st Platoon
Captian Kent Monohan
Sgt. George Wiggins
Firefighters
Ron Renner
Brendan Montgomery



Station 2- 1st Platoon
Captian Dan Doyle
Sgt. Greg Crabb
Firefighters
Louis Stoke
Nick Heilmann



Station 1- 2nd Platoon
Captian Mike Willinger
Sgt. Patrick Montague
Firefighters
Sam McCune
Michael Monohan



Station 2- 2nd Platoon
Captian Joe Wolfe
Sgt. Matt Board
Firefighters
Moss Clore
Mike Frantz



Station 1- 3rd Platoon
Captian Frank Flynn
Sgt. Nick Clark
Firefighters
Kevin Moulton
Joe Bewley



Station 2- 3rd Platoon
Captian Larry Heaphy
Sgt. Tony Glass
Firefighters
Tom Marshall
Derrick Miskell



Captain Don Ryan
Captian Mike Richardson
Sgt. Charles McCune
Firefighter Ricky Tapp



Captian Mike Beneke
Captian Hal Clifford
Sgt. Dan Green

Firefighter
Mike Abell



2009

October 26, 2009, E-Mail from Al Ring to Rick Tonini after personal phone call.

Rick Tonini

From: ringal@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 12:52 PM
To: rick@tonini.net

Rick,

I have attached a pdf with a help sheet on top so you have some background on myself and the STMFD history site. Then there is a letter you can share with the board if you agree with what is on it. I would like you to read these and then let's you and I discuss it on the phone so we are sure we are on the same page and that we both want the same thing. Jack Monohan has read this and says he agrees with everything on it. You may check with him to verify this.

Please let's talk before taking this any further.

Thanks,

Al

AL RING

Rick,

The following is background information for you to have knowledge of to be able to answer questions, but not necessary to give copies to the Board members.

I was an active member of the department for 26 years, from 1964 to 1990.

I have been collecting the history of the STMFD department since the mid 1970's. Jack Monohan has been a tremendous help in this process.

Published the *St. Matthews Firefighters, 84 Years of Firefighting in St. Matthews, Kentucky*, in 2004.

Started a web site where I share the STMFD history with the public in 2007.

I try and organize all history in chronological order starting with 1919. Now because of the size, I create 1 year at a time, so nothing goes up on the site before a complete year is finished.

Because of the way I put this together it is much better for me to add things "daily" as they occur rather than say in November have to go back to February of that year and add items, which throws the spacing of everything off. I literally work on this history daily if there is something to add.

At present the chronological history (which include Board minutes) on the site only goes to 1989.

A separate section with Board Minutes goes to February 1999. (Many copies missing)

A separate section with Board Documents goes to 1992.

There are and will be special events (reunions, tributes, special fires, etc.) that go up to 2009.

The only financials I use are a few sheets from the yearly audit, and if that is not available I try and use the end of year (June). The latest copy on the site now is up to 1989. I use no check or credit card runs, monthly statements, nor do I want to.

Privacy Issue: If I have been appointed to a position of historian I don't believe this should be an issue.

Here are the Board minutes I am still missing and need to find, but **do not want** the financials with them.

1989 July, August, September, October, November, December

1990 All

1991 All

1992 All

1993 January, February, March, April, June

1998 December

1999 March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December

2000 February, March

2004 January, May,

Here are the fire run statistics I still need: (End of year statistics)

1995, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, will need 2009

2009

October 26, 2009, E-Mail from Al Ring to Rick Tonini after personal phone call.

Rick,

As per our telephone conversation here are some thoughts on the position of "Historian" and my web site.

First let me thank you and the Board for appointing me as one of the historians of the department. I appreciate this and take this very seriously.

Because I don't think I or the Board fully understand what this position entails, I have included some thoughts on this position.

I feel my role in this capacity should be to collect, maintain and make available to anyone interested the chronological history of the department from the beginning to the present. To constantly look for additional information, sources, etc. effecting the department from 1919 to present. To keep track of its most important asset, its members.

Let's discuss the sensitive area of the history now. The Board I believe feels it does not want the Board minutes or financials recorded on the web site as they occur. I happen to agree with this, and note that at the present time the Board minutes only go to February 1999. As far as financials I only use a few pages from the annual audit or the end of year (June), and they only cover at the present time to 1989. I do not use check or credit card runs, or monthly financial reports.

What I would like to suggest for all chorological history, Board minutes, Board documents, etc. is that we agree on a five year holding period before placing them on the site or releasing them to anyone. However this would not include special events such as reunions, tributes, special fires, etc. I am not referring here to any legal requirements the department has to comply with. That is none of my business and is not in discussion here.

I want to be sure we understand how this would work. I would receive all the information needed as it occurs and place them where they belong and keep track of them but would not place them on a web site or release them to anyone for a period of five years after the event.

Lets discuss what I need in order to carry out the above.

Correspondence to the Board for the monthly meetings, approved minutes, items of interest that effect the department. Generally speaking the items sent in the packet to Board members before each meeting.

Access to the internal part of the department web site so I have access to the department SOP's, duty rosters, and things that give me background and help me keep track of who and where people are going. Such as promotions, leaving the department, hiring new people, etc. etc. New equipment, and so on.

Chief memo's that may be sent out to the firefighters.

Photos taken of various events and fires. This proves to be one of the hardest for me to gather. Stuart Monohan, Brandon Montgomery, Joe Wolfe try and get some of these to me, but we need to develop a way so they are timely, as well as the event identified. I have many photos from the last 15 years but don't know the year, the event, the names of people.

Should various articles on the department from magazines, newspapers, etc. be available, I should have access to them.

My personal future goal: I would like at some future point to transfer all the STMFD history on my web site to a spot on the District site so should something happen to me the District has all the history that I and all the people that have helped me have collected.

Finally: STMFD has a tremendous reputation in the fire and public community as a leader in the fire service. Keeping in mind that we were one of the first departments to use two-way radio equipment, the first department in the state to use self contained breathing apparatus, created a sound financial footing and have maintained it, as well as made training a mainstay of the department and stayed ahead of the community in growth. With all this we have one of the greatest histories in the fire service there is. We should be proud of it and we should want to collect it, keep it and share it with the community and be a leader in the preservation of our history.

Sincerely,

Al Ring

2009

October, 2009, Incident Report:

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {10/01/2009} And {10/31/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
111 Building fire	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
118 Trash or rubbish fire, contained	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
131 Passenger vehicle fire	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
132 Road freight or transport vehicle fire	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
154 Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
	5	6.32%	\$0	0.00%
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	9	11.39%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
353 Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
	11	13.92%	\$0	0.00%
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
411 Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	3	3.79%	\$0	0.00%
424 Carbon monoxide incident	3	3.79%	\$0	0.00%
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	2	2.53%	\$0	0.00%
442 Overheated motor	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
444 Power line down	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	3	3.79%	\$0	0.00%
	14	17.72%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
511 Lock-out	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	4	5.06%	\$0	0.00%
541 Animal problem	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
550 Public service assistance, Other	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
554 Assist invalid	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	2	2.53%	\$0	0.00%
	10	12.65%	\$0	0.00%
6 Good Intent Call				
600 Good intent call, Other	5	6.32%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	7	8.86%	\$0	0.00%
621 Wrong location	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	2	2.53%	\$0	0.00%
652 Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
	17	21.51%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
730 System malfunction, Other	2	2.53%	\$0	0.00%
731 Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	3	3.79%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	3	3.79%	\$0	0.00%
741 Sprinkler activation, no fire -	1	1.26%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	5	6.32%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	6	7.59%	\$0	0.00%
	22	27.84%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 79

Total Est Loss: \$0

2009

Fall 2009: The Leader, News For The Trinity High School Family:

ATTENTION, FORMER ST. MATTHEWS FIREFIGHTERS

Research is being collected on the history of the firefighters.

**Contact Mr. Al Ring at ringal@comcast.net
to be included in the research.**

A Papa John's TV Commercial was made honoring firefighters, and it was made at STMFD Station 1, with our firefighters in the commercial along with photos of Station 1 and our new truck 2659.

November 4, 2009:

Local Papa John's Stores Honor Firefighters with Free Pizza

-- Restaurants and Institutions, 11/4/2009 7:50:00 AM

[PRESS RELEASE] LOUISVILLE, Ky.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--In recognition of the brave firefighters who serve our communities, on Nov. 10 Papa John's throughout the country will offer free pizzas to firehouses, just like in the newest Papa John's commercials airing nationwide. Papa John's restaurants will honor local fire heroes by delivering the new Six Meats pizzas and the Six Cheese pizzas to firefighters in participating locations.

Thus far in the "Papa's In The House" television campaign, Founder and CEO John Schnatter has made surprise pizza deliveries to birthday parties and a field hockey team. This time, we find John at a local firehouse.

"When we shoot the 'Papa's In The House' commercials, we step into the everyday lives of our customers as they enjoy Papa John's pizza," said Andrew Varga, chief marketing officer for Papa John's International Inc. "Our video crew follows John on actual deliveries capturing the magic that occurs because of his passion and dedication to our quality product. This time it happened in a Firehouse. It will be interesting to see whose house he's in next."

For a limited-time only, Papa John's is featuring its new large Six Meats pizza for only \$10.99. This pizza features Papa John's fresh-packed tomato sauce and is loaded with six delicious meats - pepperoni, spicy Italian sausage, julienne-cut Canadian bacon, Italian ham, Italian salami and bacon. Papa John's is also offering for a limited time its large, Six Cheese pizza at \$10.99, for those in the crowd who are looking for a delicious blend of mozzarella, provolone, asiago, fontina, parmesan and romano.

2009

November 9, 2009, Letter:

*Smoke Detectors
Save Lives*



*Learn Not
To Burn*

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**William J. Seng
Fire Chief**

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Sam McCune
Richard J. Tonini
Jack Monohan
Faye Ellerkamp

To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: November 9, 2009
Re: District Activity

Don't forget the November Trustees meeting is scheduled for this Thursday at 12:00 noon.

Since this is the end of the year we have several items that need to be approved at this Trustees meeting. They are as follows:

Kroger Gift Cards (in lieu of turkeys and hams)
Awards Dinner (December 15th at Station 1)

*Discuss
More Detail*
I have been contacted by Verizon Wireless about co-locating cellular equipment on our communications tower at Station 2. I know for starters they are also looking to lease more ground space. Hopefully I should have more information to present at the Trustees meeting on Thursday!

*See
Attached*
I think we have finally reached a settlement with the estate of Ms. Anne Duncan. We should be receiving a check any day now for about \$50,000. Please see the enclosed document.

*Accepted
By
Board*
I am sure by now most of you have either heard or have seen the new Papa John's Commercial that has been on television lately. If you recall, several months ago Papa John's came to town with their film crew and produced a commercial here at Station 1. In that commercial they filmed about 10 of our firefighters eating pizza and shouting "Better Ingredients, Better Pizza, Papa John's." Since this commercial has finally made it to the air waves Papa John's has contacted every firefighter that was in the commercial and wants to give them \$500 for their services. If this is okay with the board, I would like to tell the guys that there is no problem with them keeping the money. I will bring this up during the Trustees meeting for your response.

See you at the meeting!

2009

November 9, 2009, Letter:



November 9, 2009

St. Matthews Fire Department
Board of Trustees

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to update you all on the progress of the Firefighter Combat Challenge team. I first want to express how grateful we are to have all of your support. Since the inception of this team, we have made great strides toward our goal of competing on a national level and have received local media attention. With that in mind, we, as a team have a long way to go to truly compete at this level. For this reason we have opted not to compete in the national competition this year. To be fiscally responsible to our families and this department we feel that further training and preparation is needed to compete on a national or even global level.

We will continue in our pursuit of outside funding for the team, first and foremost for training equipment. Currently our needs are as follows: lighter fire gear designed for racing which is roughly \$1000/person, a Keiser force machine sled which is \$2800. The Keiser can also be used for our physical fitness program, physical agility, and be utilized as a training tool. We are also in need of a "Rescue Randy" mannequin which is \$900. This mannequin can also be used for physical agility and general firefighter training exercises. We are also in need of rope and two hose covers which will cost approximately \$500. These items may also be used for physical agility and general firefighter training. Each competition costs \$140 per team plus travels. We feel we need to practice in the competitive setting to improve to the national level.

We would like to compete in Las Vegas but at this time we are not prepared. By practicing in local competitions and utilizing these training tools, we feel one day we will be can be successful competitors. We really appreciate all that you have done for this team and will represent St. Matthews Fire Department proudly in the future. I must also thank you all for the physical fitness program that has been established at this department. Without the trainers and your support this would not have been possible. Because of the fitness program, we will without a doubt live longer and be healthier.

Respectfully,

Kevin Moulton

FFCC Team

2009

November 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

*Smoke Detectors
Save Lives*



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ABSENT

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Sam McCune ✓
Richard J. Tonini ✓
Jack Monahan ✓
Faye Ellerkamp ✓

**Trustees Meeting Agenda
November 12, 2009
Noon**

- I. ✓ Call to Order @ Noon
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting *Approved*
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report *1st Payment Due 1st of Dec. - New Income*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - ✓(a) EMS - Update *No Report & No Contact*
 - ✓(b) Overtime Report - Seng
 - ✓(c) Cell Tower Proposal
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - ✓(a) Duncan Estate - Update *SEE ATTACHED*
 - ✓(b) Windy Hills sign proposal - One Last Time
- VI. ✓ New Business
 - ✓(a) Fire Fighter Combat Challenge Proposal - Kevin Moulton
- VII. ✓ Executive Session - If needed. *1:05 to 1:15*
- VIII. The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on January 21, 2010 at 7:00 pm - Fern Creek - Station #1
- IX. The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on December 10, 2009 - Thursday at NOON

2009

November 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Approved

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

November 12, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on November 12, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, Jim Graven, Sam McCune, Faye Ellerkamp, Jack Monohan and Rick Tonini. Also present were Chief Seng, Chief Monohan, Major Dugan, Jordan Davis, Kevin Moulton, Matt Board, Derrick Miskell, Mike Frantz, Patrick Montague, Mike Willinger, Moss Clore, Joe Wolfe and Mike Richardson.

Minutes

The minutes of the October 8, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Rick Tonini moved; Jack Monohan seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the treasurer's report.

We expect to receive our first Sherriff's Real Estate Tax disbursement around December 14th which will be close to 1,000,000.00.

We received a check from the Louisville Water Co. in the amount of \$6,750.00 for servicing 675 Hydrants in the Fire District.

We received \$4.13 from CRC revenue in the month of October.

Jack Monohan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Rick Tonini seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Seng reported the following items:

Regarding the cell tower, Verizon Wireless has contacted the Fire District concerning co-locating some equipment on our current tower. There is possibility of receiving \$1500.00 a month in revenue from this additional equipment. However, Verizon mentioned that there is not enough space currently for the equipment that they are

2009

November 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

trying to add to the tower. Additionally, T-Mobile has expressed interest in buying out the current contract that we have in place.

Chief Seng reported that we have not received any funds from the Anne Duncan estate. The Fire District is expecting to receive around \$49,000.00. Chief Seng also mentioned that he would like to contact Chief Rick Albers with North Oldham Fire District and see if they would be willing to off-set some of our legal costs associated with receiving the money.

As a result of a Papa John's commercial that some Firefighter's participated in back in July, Papa John's would like to reimburse those individuals that participated with a \$500.00 check. The Board was aware of the Papa John's commercial being filmed at Station 1, they discussed this and saw no problem with letting those individuals receive the compensation. Rick Tonini motioned to accept the stipend from Papa John's; Jack Monohan seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Seng requested the following expenditures for November:

General Rubber (3 sets of Turnout Gear)	\$5,345.25
CDW (Computer Monitor for 2631)	\$559.00
VSI (Replace mirrors on 2634)	\$2,100.00
Best Buy (Computer for Station 1)	\$861.98
Replace Firehouse Software Server	\$5,000.00
Kroger (Thanksgiving Gift cards)	\$2,600.00
Annual Awards and Prime Rib Dinner	\$4,000.00

The Chief discussed that the new awards will be given and displayed at the Prime Rib and Awards Dinner. As of present, spouses will not be invited.

Jack Monohan made a motion that the Board accept the Chief's report, Rick Tonini seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

2009

November 12, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Old Business

Following up from the last Trustees meeting, Chief Seng compiled and distributed to the Board an overtime cost analysis sheet, which broke down cost of hiring a 40 Hour Day Staff Firefighter versus using a 24/48 Firefighter on OT. If the Fire District chose to hire a 40 hour day staff Firefighter instead of using OT to fill the spots then this would possibly create a savings of \$6,800.00 annually. If the Fire District offered this Firefighter individual Health Insurance then the savings would decrease to \$2,690.00.

The Chief and Board discussed the possibility of applying for a SAFER Grant(Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) which would allow up to 5 Firefighter positions to be paid for through Federal funds. The Board discussed and agreed that they would like to move forward to apply for the SAFER Grant. Chief Seng will investigate the requirements and report back to the Board at the December meeting.

Chief Seng reported that the Summer Intern position ended for Firefighter Adam Hanrahan on October 30th because of CERS requirements on part-time positions. Firefighter Rickie Tapp is continuing to work 1 day per week and will not be affected by this requirement. Chief Seng will report back on the Intern status and the December Trustees meeting.

Tom Eifler distributed a letter to the Board from The City of Windy Hills concerning the proposed sign at Station 2. The City of Windy Hills is still very interested in having the sign at the corner of Hubbard's and Brownsboro Road and would be willing to add the wording St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station No.2. After much discussion regarding the potential Windy Hills Sign and since this issue had been discussed at the October meeting, Jim Graven made a motion to take no further action; Jack Monohan seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Firefighter Kevin Moulton reported on the Firefighter Combat Challenge Team. Kevin said that the team is working on gathering outside funding for new equipment. He received correspondence from Papa John's that they are looking at next year's budget to help with the equipment. After discussion concerning the much needed equipment and since the equipment can be used by each of the Firefighters for training, Jim Graven motioned that the Fire District purchase up to \$5,000.00 for the equipment needed, Rick Tonini seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Rick Tonini handed information the Board concerning Al Ring and his desire to be the Fire District's Historian. Al Ring's goal is to develop a functioning website with all of the Fire District's History over time. He would like to someday give this website to the Fire District to update and add information for the future. The Board discussed the ability to monitor what information is added to the website. Chief Seng will contact Al Ring to discuss potential for the website.

Jim Graven mentioned that the Fire District should begin seeking additional funding from the hospitals in the district. The issue was raised that the majority of our Fire Runs are to the hospitals. Tom Eifler mentioned that we should have a meeting with Baptist East CEO, Sue Tamme to move forward. The Board talked about the possibility of assessing a user's fee to the hospitals each time services are rendered.

Tom Eifler moved to go into Executive Session at 1:04PM. The Board took no action and the meeting resumed at 1:15PM.

The next board meeting will be on December 10th at 12:00PM.

There being no further business, Rick Tonini motioned and Jack Monohan seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously at 1:15PM.

Chairman

2009

November 13, 2009, Letter:

Commonwealth of Kentucky

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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HOUSE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

November 13, 2009

F.Y.I.

Chief William Seng
St Matthews Fire Protection District
240 Sears Ave
Louisville, KY 40207

Dear Chief Seng,

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter I have sent to Metro Mayor Jerry Abramson regarding the recently-announced settlement of the firefighter overtime lawsuit. In brief, my concern is that county residents are being asked to foot a portion of the bill for this settlement when they never received fire protection services from the city in the first place.

Your fire district, like the 17 other fire protection districts in the county, is authorized under KRS Chapter 75 as a special taxing district to support the delivery of fire protection services to residents living within the boundaries of the service district. The citizens of your fire district pay for the services you provide. As county residents, they never received city fire services, but now, since countywide taxes are to be used to pay the settlement, they are being asked to foot the bill. I do not believe that is what we intended when we passed merger legislation back in 2000.

If you have any questions or comments about this subject, I would be happy to hear them. Feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Larry
Larry Clark
Speaker Pro Tem

Enclosure

2009

November 13, 2009, Letter:

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HOUSE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

November 13, 2009

Hon. Jerry Abramson, Mayor
Louisville Metro Government
527 West Jefferson Street
Suite 400
Louisville, KY 40202

Dear Mayor Abramson,

I am pleased to learn of the impending settlement with the firefighters regarding overtime pay. While that news is welcome for the deserving firefighters, I see a problem relating to the settlement that strikes at the very heart of what we were trying to accomplish for citizens in the county when we undertook merged government.

As a primary legislative sponsor of merger in 2000 (HB 647) and 2002 (HB 659), I recall that many of us were concerned about several issues related to services and taxes: maintaining existing services without increasing the tax burden, having our citizens pay only for those services they were actually receiving, and giving the new merged government the ability to create special taxing districts to allow access to services that citizens in certain geographic areas of the county were willing to pay for, without imposing the burden of paying for those services on the entire county. Merger legislation addressed these concerns:

The territory of a consolidated local government may, as permitted by Section 172A of the Constitution of Kentucky, be divided into service districts. Each service district shall constitute a separate tax district within which the consolidated local government may, upon receipt of a petition signed by a majority of the registered voters in the district as of the last general election, levy and collect taxes in accordance with the kind, type, and character of the services provided by the consolidated local government in each of these service districts. . . .

KRS 67C.145

The best example of the practical effect of this provision is the Urban Services District, comprising essentially the old City boundaries, within which citizens pay higher taxes to receive a heightened level of service -- including fire protection.

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November 13, 2009

Unfortunately, it appears that the impending firefighters' settlement will result in countywide tax revenues being used to pay the firefighters when the labor hours forming the basis of the debt owed to them were worked before the two governments ever merged. How do we ask 720,000 county residents to pay a debt the city owes when the county residents never received the services in the first place, and when county fire services are supported by taxes assessed to residents living in 18 separate fire protection districts authorized under KRS Chapter 75?

I would appreciate your sharing your thoughts on this question. It is certainly important to the constituents I represent. Thanks for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry".
Larry Clark
Speaker Pro Tem

c: Members, Louisville Metro Council
Jefferson County Fire Districts

2009

November 16, 2009, Letter:

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November 16, 2009

F.Y.I.

Lou Phillips, Mayor
City of Windy Hills
Summit Executive Suites
4350 Brownsboro Rd., Suite 110
Louisville, KY 40207-1667

Re: Windy Hills Sign

Dear Mayor Phillips,

The St. Matthews Fire Protection District is in receipt of the letter from Councilman James Ising, asking the Board of Trustees to reconsider our original decision concerning the placement of a potential sign for the entrance of The City of Windy Hills. While we understand your interest in this location, the St. Matthews Fire District's Board of Trustees voted unanimously to take no further action on the matter and let the decision of the October meeting stand.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this decision.

Sincerely,

William J. Seng
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Cc: Tom Eifler, Sr.
Chairman

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Robert H. Martin, Chairman
North Oldham Fire Protection District
1660 Highway 1793
Goshen, KY 40026

Dear Chairman Martin,

I am contacting you regarding the recent Estate settlement for Ms. Anne Stewart Duncan.

Both the St. Matthews Fire Protection District and the North Oldham Fire Protection District were contacted approximately six months ago informing us each that the estate of Ms. Anne Stewart Duncan was going to make a cash contribution to each fire district. The original amount offered by the estate was approximately \$15,000 for the St. Matthews Fire District and approximately \$10,000 for the North Oldham Fire District.

While reading several different articles in the local newspaper on how the estate was to be settled, these amounts offered were far less than what the St. Matthews Fire District originally understood it was going to receive. The Board of Trustees for the St. Matthews Fire District requested the assistance of its legal counsel to contact the attorney representing the estate of Ms. Duncan so that they could get a better understanding of why the dollar amount of the disbursement was so low.

After several lengthy discussions and meetings, an agreement was reached that the North Oldham Fire District would receive approximately \$35,000 for station renovations and approximately \$49,000 for the St. Matthews Fire District for new equipment.

Therefore the purpose of my letter is to ask the Board of Trustees of the North Oldham Fire District to consider helping offset the legal expense (copy of the invoice is enclosed) that was incurred when negotiating these higher dollar amounts.

If necessary I would be happy to sit down with you and the Board to discuss all of the events that took place to finally get us where we are today.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,


William J. Seng
Fire Chief

Cc: Tom Eifler Sr., Chairman, Board of Trustees
Richard Albers, Fire Chief, North Oldham Fire Protection District

*12-9-09
Waiting For Their Answer*

2009

November 20, 2009, Letter:



KENTUCKY RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Robert M. Burnside, Executive Director

Perimeter Park West • 1260 Louisville Road • Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
kyret.ky.gov • Phone: 502-696-8800 • Fax: 502-696-8822



November 20, 2009

Chief William Seng
St. Matthews Fire District
240 Sears Ave.
Louisville, KY 40207

F.Y.I.

Dear Chief Seng:

The Executive Director has requested that I advise you of the action taken by the Kentucky Retirement Systems' Board of Trustees regarding the request made by the St. Matthews Fire District (District) to participate in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS).

At its regular meeting held on Thursday, November 19, 2009, the Board of Trustees approved the following positions with the District to be hazardous with an effective date of December 1, 2009 for **those employees whose KRS participation date is September 1, 2008 or after:**

Firefighter

The contribution rates under hazardous coverage are:

- 1) The employee contribution rate is 9% of gross earnings
- 2) The employer contribution rate is 32.97% of gross earnings

Please be advised that only employees working in an approved position may be reported to CERS under hazardous duty coverage. If the District establishes a new position(s), the District must petition the Board of Trustees for hazardous coverage before the employee working in the new or changed position may be reported under hazardous coverage.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at (502) 696-8568.

Sincerely,

Sarah Anne Webb
Director of Field Services

November 24, 2009 8:32:50 AM

From: ringal@comcast.net

To: seng@stmatthewsfd.com

Attachments: STMFD letter.pdf (16.5KB)

Bill,

Appreciate you calling me and talking to me about the board meeting. Attached is a copy of what I had sent and discussed with Rick. I think it answers your question of where I wanted to go with the web site and my suggestions.

The first page was to be a background sheet to bring Rick up to date.

Thanks,

Al

Al Ring
ringal@comcast.net
ringbrothershistory.com

November 24, 2009,
Personal call & e-mail
with Chief Seng and Al
Ring. Very nice phone
call. He ask me where I
wanted to go with my
web site. Said
Chairman Eifler is
very cautious and
does not want
minutes and finan-
cials on web site. I
sent him copy of
letters I had sent to
Rick Tonini. I have
not heard from the
Chief on this sub-
ject since —
(February 2011)

2009

November , 2009, Incident Report:

STMFD

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Alarm Date Between {11/01/2009} And {11/30/2009}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
100 Fire, Other	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
111 Building fire	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
112 Fires in structure other than in a building	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
131 Passenger vehicle fire	3	3.52%	\$10,000	100.00%
142 Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
154 Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
1601 Fires involving mulch or landscape	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
	12	14.11%	\$10,000	100.00%

3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
3112 Medical assist, AED applied no shocks	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
3116 Medical assist, cancelled by squad after	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
324 Motor Vehicle Accident with no injuries	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
	7	8.23%	\$0	0.00%

4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
413 Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	3	3.52%	\$0	0.00%
	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%

5 Service Call				
511 Lock-out	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
553 Public service	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%

6 Good Intent Call				
600 Good intent call, Other	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	3	3.52%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
	15	17.64%	\$0	0.00%

7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
False Alarm & False Call				
10 Malicious, mischievous false call, Other	2	2.35%	\$0	0.00%
13 Telephone, malicious false alarm	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
14 Central station, malicious false alarm	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
30 System malfunction, Other	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
33 Smoke detector activation due to	8	9.41%	\$0	0.00%
35 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	8	9.41%	\$0	0.00%
40 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
41 Sprinkler activation, no fire -	3	3.52%	\$0	0.00%
43 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	9	10.58%	\$0	0.00%
44 Detector activation, no fire -	1	1.17%	\$0	0.00%
45 Alarm system activation, no fire -	4	4.70%	\$0	0.00%
	43	50.58%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 85

Total Est Loss:

\$10,000

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December 7, 2009, Letter:

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To: All Trustees
From: Chief William J. Seng
Date: December 7, 2009
Re: District Activity

- ✓ Sorry for this late of an update but our main printer and copying machine have been down since last week. Repairs were made late yesterday and everything is now back to normal.
- ✓ The December Trustees meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 8th at 12 noon. 9/16
- ✓ If you haven't heard the latest news, Asst. Chief Monohan fell at home on Tuesday morning and has broken his ankle. Early reports are that he will be in a half leg cast for approximately six weeks. I will keep everyone posted on his progress.
- ✓ Unit 2634 has been retrofitted with the new style mirrors that were approved at last month's Trustees meeting. Every apparatus now has the same type of mirrors that provide a better view of both sides of the truck while backing and driving.
- ✓ Unit 2631 has been returned from Lexington after having a crack repaired in its water tank. These tanks come with a lifetime warranty however it's a hassle removing all of the fire hose to get to the tank so that the repair can be made. Let's hope it doesn't happen again.
- ✓ Asst. Chief Monohan and I met with a representative from Verizon Wireless last week about locating communication equipment on the cell tower at Station 2. Verizon however needs a space larger than what is currently available inside the fenced in area. We worked together and decided what would be a good course for action for them to

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December 7, 2009, Letter:

take. They are currently drawing these plans up and will make a proposal to the district soon.

- ✓ MetroSafe still is planning to start distributing all of the new radio equipment to all of the fire districts sometime in early January. After the distribution of the new equipment is made a timetable will be made as to when all of the mobile radios will be programmed and installed in all of our vehicles. The installation of all the radios will be done by MetroSafe.
- ✓ The equipment for the regional grant that was funded months ago for a county wide PASS (Personal Alert Safety System) has finally arrived and is ready for distribution. Sometime in the first part of January our equipment will be issued to us and we will have about a month of training with them before we put them in service. Our cost on this project is about \$23,000.
- ✓ We are still waiting for a check to arrive from the estate of Ms. Ann Duncan. The settlement, which was about \$50,000, should arrive at anytime. \$23,000 of this was to fund the PASS safety system mentioned above and the other \$27,000 was to fund new hydraulic rescue equipment for Quint 2658.
- ✓ Travis Frick with Cotton and Allen contacted us this week to let us know that they will be starting on our 2008-2009 audit after the first of the year. The final audit is not due to be submitted to the appropriate agencies until May.
- ✓ Finally, after several months of discussion a contract was signed yesterday with Ellen Call and her partners to represent the Jefferson County Fire Service in this next legislative session. Their main focus will be on the changing of the tax cap in KRS Chapter 75.
- ✓ Don't forget that the annual awards dinner at the firehouse will be held next Tuesday. Chef Sam will be cooking several of his favorite dishes including his famous, mouth watering Prime Rib. Awards will start at 6:45pm with dinner to immediately follow. Please give Jordan a call and let her know if you can make it or not.

2009

December 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

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Trustees Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, December 9, 2009
Noon

- I. ✓ Call to Order *C 12:00*
- II. ✓ Approval of minutes from previous regular meeting *APPROVED*
- III. ✓ Treasurer Report *\$ 954,000 BAL.*
- IV. ✓ Fire Department Operations Report, by Chief Seng
 - ✓ (a) EMS – Update
 - ✓ (b) Cell Tower - Update
 - ✓ (c) Al Ring - Update
- V. ✓ Old Business
 - ✓ (a) Duncan Estate – Update
 - ✓ (b) User – Fee - Monohan
- VI. ✓ New Business
- VII. ✓ Executive Session – If needed. *NONE*
- VIII. ✓ The next JCFA Trustee meeting will be held on January 21, 2010 at 7:00 pm – Fern Creek – Station #1
- IX. ✓ The next St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board Meeting will be held on January 14, 2010 – Thursday at NOON

2009

December 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Approved

Minutes of Meeting of
Trustees of St. Matthews Fire
Protection District

December 9, 2009

The meeting of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on December 9, 2009 at the St. Matthews Fire Protection District Station 1, 240 Sears Avenue. Chairman Tom Eifler called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

Trustees present were Tom Eifler, Jim Graven, Sam McCune, John Volkerding, Jack Monohan and Rick Tonini. Also present were Chief Seng, Major Dugan, Patrick Montague, Michael Monohan, Moss Clore, Matt Board, Joe Wolfe, Charles McCune and Jordan Davis.

Minutes

The minutes of the November 12th meeting were reviewed. Jack Monohan motioned that we approved the minutes, Sam McCune seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Graven gave the Treasurer's report.

Currently we are looking at better rates on CD's. We currently have 954,000.00 in investments.

The board discussed contacting Cotton & Allen to correct the financials to include the new aerial truck as an asset while disposing of the sold aerial ladder and including a liability for the loan on the new truck.

The decrease in CRC revenue was discussed.

Jack Monohan moved that the board accept the financials, the motion was seconded by John Volkerding and passed unanimously.

Chief's Report

Chief Monohan is out of the office due to an off-duty ankle injury. Chief Seng will keep everyone informed on his progress.

The district recently replaced the mirrors on 2634 and repaired the water tank on 2631.

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December 9, 2009, Trustee meeting:

Chief Seng met with Verizon to discuss adding equipment to our existing cell tower. Several options were discussed concerning the placement of the equipment. We should have 2 contracts ready for review at the January Trustees meeting. One contract should be for the land and one for the equipment. The board discussed using Tony Weeter's services to help negotiate an acceptable rate.

Jim Graven motioned to acquire help in negotiating the cell tower rate, Rick Tonini seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Seng reported that the radio equipment will be mounted and programmed soon. Also the regional grant for the equipment will be finalized in the upcoming weeks. The estate donation from Anne Stuart Duncan will fund part of this equipment.

Chief Seng contacted North Oldham Fire District's Chairman to discuss off-setting some of the legal fees from the Anne Stuart Duncan settlement. Chief will be in touch with any correspondence he receives on this issue.

Cotton and Allen will be performing the fire district's audit in the first week in January.

Chief Seng spoke to Ellen Call concerning representing the fire district with legislative matters in Frankfort, and she has agreed to help lobby on issues for the fire district.

December 15th is the Prime Rib and Awards Dinner at Station 1.

Chief Seng requested two expenditures for December:

Replace 4 recliners at Station 2	\$1998.00
Replace 4 Light Fixtures at Station 2	\$ 975.00

Jack Monohan made a motion to accept the Chief's report and approve the expenditures. Rick Tonini seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business

Chief Seng contacted Al Ring concerning the Web site that he would like to maintain for the fire district. It was suggested that we not post any information that is not 5 years in the past. There was much discussion on how to post info. Discussion was made for and against. The board tabled the discussion concerning the website and agreed that it will be ongoing.

Campbell's Gourmet Cottage trial will be moving forward. The fire district should receive the donation from the Anne Stuart Duncan estate very soon.

Jack Monohan discussed the possibility of a user fee for non-tax paying businesses, such as hospitals in our district. The board discussed using Stoll Keenon Ogden to research the issue. Jim Graven motioned that the board look into determining user

fees, Jack Monohan seconded and the motion passed. Chairman Eifler did not vote on the motion.

Chairman Eifler suggested that we meet with both Baptist East and Suburban in January to discuss the user fees. The board discussed the possibility of inviting the CEO and the CFO.

The next Trustees meeting will be on January 14th at 12:00PM.

There being no further business, Jack Monohan motioned and Rick Tonini seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously at 1:10PM

Chairman

Secretary

2009

December 10, 2009, *The Voice-Tribune*:

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2009

THE VOICE-TR

Light Up St. Matthews



Jennifer, Wyatt and Lucy Hunt with Makenzie Malkin and Drew Hunt.

Light Up St. Matthews in Brown Park was held on Nov. 29.

The annual event included family activities, cookies and hot chocolate, horse-drawn carriage rides and photos with Santa.

photos by TIM VALENTINO | contributing photographer



2009

Courtesy *The Courier-Journal*: December 25, 2009, Christmas house fire leaves 2 children dead—Grandparents Irving, Cathy Bailey hospitalized, by Diane Heilenman and Sheryl Edelen.

Christmas house fire leaves 2 children dead

Grandparents Irving, Cathy Bailey hospitalized

*By Diane Heilenman
and Sheryl Edelen*

A Christmas Day fire claimed the lives of two grandsons of a prominent Louisville couple as the family and firefighters joined to try to save the victims.

Flames already were shooting through the roof in the rear of the Glenview home of Cathy and Irving W. Bailey II and through the front entryway when firefighters arrived shortly after 4:30 a.m. Friday, alerted by an alarm system.

Chief Chris Aponte of the Harrods Creek Fire Department said the adults at the house were outside when firefighters arrived and were attempting a rescue, and fire crews joined in.

"Whenever there are lives involved, it changes the dynamic" at a fire scene, Aponte said. "The guys worked hard to do what they could. We had some experienced firefighters on the scene and they couldn't make headway in it."

The cause of the fire is under investigation, said Maj. Henry Ott of the Louisville Metro Arson Squad. The victims, whose names were not released, were ages 10 and 12, he said.

The Baileys were injured, as were three firefighters, and the couple's home was mostly destroyed.

Aponte said two of the injured firefighters had minor burns and a third had an ankle injury.

In a statement released on behalf of the family, the Baileys said their injuries were serious but not life-threatening and that they were in a hospital. It did not identify the hospital.

"Two children were killed in this tragedy," said the statement, provided by Scott Jennings, a family spokesman. The family requested privacy "at this time of great loss."

Cathy Bailey, a former ambassador to Latvia under President George W. Bush, is a major Republican fundraiser and is considering a run for the U.S. Senate next year. Irv Bailey is former chairman and chief executive of Provident Corp., guiding the company through a decade of growth to its merger with the Dutch firm Aegon in 1997.

The Bailey property sits on a winding, narrow street, Longview Lane, that runs off River Road in eastern Jefferson County. The street splits into a dead-end just past the property and a cul-de-sac that contains six large houses with spacious yards.

By late afternoon Friday, what remained of the Bailey house had collapsed into the basement, Ott said.

He said five adults were in the house when the fire started — four on the first floor and one in the basement. The boys were on the second floor, he said.

Aponte said 45 firefighters from four departments fought the blaze — Lyndon, Worthington and St. Matthews, in addition to Harrods Creek.

He said the two victims were around the ages of two of his children, and many of the firefighters on the scene had children of their own at home.

"My family and I all had a big hug together" when he finally arrived home, he said. "But the images that we added to the photo album in our minds today will be something we won't ever forget."

Reporter Diane Heilenman can be reached at (502) 582-4682.

Reporter Sheryl Edelen can be reached at (502) 582-4621.

Reporter Joseph Gerth contributed to this story.

2009

Courtesy *The Courier-Journal*: December 25, 2009, Christmas house fire leaves 2 children dead—Grandparents Irving, Cathy Bailey hospitalized, by Diane Heilenman and Sheryl Edelen.



An early Christmas morning fire claims the life of two children at the 6400 block of Longview Lane. (By Scott Utterback, *The Courier-Journal*) Dec. 25, 2009 (cj)

STMFD units 2658 was 3rd unit on the scene, 2633 was the 4th unit and 2634 was the 6th unit on the scene.

2009

Harrods Creek fire, Christmas Day, 12/25/2009, courtesy John Volkerding, STMFD:



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Harrods Creek fire, Christmas Day, 12/25/2009, courtesy John Volkerding, STMFD:



Courtesy, *The Courier-Journal*: December 27, 2009, Boys who died in Glenview fire were visiting from Vermont, by Peter Smith.

Two Vermont boys visiting family in Glenview have been identified as the victims of a Christmas morning fire that gutted much of the house they were staying in. The cause of the fire remained under investigation Saturday as officials awaited the arrival of heavy excavation equipment that was needed to remove roof and flooring that collapsed into the center of the house, where investigators believe the fire reported shortly after 4:30 a.m. Friday began.

Solon L. Bailey, 12, and his brother, William T. "Liam" Bailey, 10, both of Barre, Vt., died at the scene, according to Jefferson County Deputy Coroner Rita Taylor. Preliminary autopsy results show they died of causes consistent with smoke inhalation, with the final determination awaiting results from toxicology tests, Taylor said.

The boys were visiting their grandfather, Irving W. Bailey II, and his wife, Cathy Bailey, at their home on Longview Lane off River Road. Irving and Cathy Bailey were released Saturday from University Hospital, where they were treated for injuries from the fire.

The boys were the sons of Chris and Deanna Bailey of Barre. Their parents escaped the fire without serious injury, according to Maj. Henry Ott of the Louisville Metro Arson Squad. Chris Bailey is Irving Bailey's son.

Ott said the probe into the cause of the blaze likely will continue at least into Monday. "It's too early to eliminate anything, but we don't suspect anything criminal," Ott said Saturday.

The family had been using candles the night before, Ott said. But because of the severity of the blaze, it would be difficult to determine if the candles were involved in the cause, he said.

Bailey family spokesman Scott Jennings issued a statement Saturday thanking "the firefighters, medical personnel, emergency workers, neighbors and friends who assisted them during this tragedy."

The statement continued: "Irv and Cathy especially want to thank the staff at University Hospital who treated the family and the firefighters who were injured on the scene. The Bailey family is grateful for the outpouring of support they have received from the Louisville community and from their friends around the world. The offers of help, support, and prayers mean a tremendous amount to this grieving family."

Forty-five firefighters from the Harrods Creek, Lyndon, St. Matthews and Worthington fire departments fought the blaze.

Cathy Bailey, a former ambassador to Latvia under President George W. Bush, is a major Republican fundraiser who has been considering a run for the U.S. Senate next year. Irv Bailey is former chairman and chief executive of Provident Corp., guiding the company through a decade of growth to its merger with the Dutch firm Aegon in 1997.

A memorial service for the boys is scheduled for Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church at 6710 Wolf Pen Branch Road in Harrods Creek. Immediately following the service, a visitation will be held at the church in Graves Hall. Funeral services for the boys will be held later this week in Vermont.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that contributions be made in honor of the boys to The Beauregard Foundation: Solon and Liam Fund, c/o Chrysalis Ventures, 101 S. 5th Street, Suite 1650, Louisville, KY 40202. The contributions will be used to support children's education programs.



2009

Courtesy, *Times-Argus.com*: December 27, 2009, Barre Town brothers killed in Kentucky fire, by Steven Pappas

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Article published Dec 27, 2009

Barre Town brothers killed in Kentucky fire

By [Steven Pappas](#)

Staff Writer

BARRE TOWN — A Christmas Day fire has claimed the lives of two well-known Barre Town boys who were visiting grandparents in Louisville, Ky.

Solon L. Bailey, 12, and his brother, William T. Bailey, 10, both of Morgan Lane in Barre Town, died at the scene of the blaze, according to Jefferson County (Ky.) Deputy Coroner Rita Taylor.

Preliminary autopsy results show they died of causes consistent with smoke inhalation. The boys, whose parents are Deanna and Chris Bailey, attended Barre Town Middle and Elementary School. According to Principal Timothy Crowley, both boys were a "huge part of the Barre Town family." William, or "Liam" as he was known at school, was in the fourth grade; Solon was in the seventh grade.

"This is very challenging, very sad," Crowley said Saturday afternoon. "We have had tragedies in the past, but we have never lost two students at one time."

Both boys were remembered for their kindness, responsibility and academic acumen. "This is a tragedy beyond comprehension," said Tamara Cooley, Liam Bailey's fourth-grade teacher. "We'll all get through it eventually."

Crowley said school faculty and staff had been notified, and he expected many of the boys' classmates likely already had heard about the tragedy. He said counselors would be made available to Barre Town students.

Funeral services for the two boys will be held later this week. No other information was available. However, a memorial service will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 11 a.m. for the brothers at St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church in Harrods Creek, Ky.

The boys were visiting their grandparents, Irving W. Bailey II and Cathy Bailey, at the couple's home on Longview Lane in Louisville. Chris Bailey is the son of Irving and Cathy Bailey.

According to Maj. Henry Ott of the Louisville Metro Arson Squad, the investigation into the cause of the blaze likely will continue at least into Monday as they await heavy excavation equipment to help remove debris from the large house.

"There is a lot to move," he said during a brief interview Saturday. "It's too early to eliminate anything." Ott said there is no reason to believe any criminal activity occurred. Arson is not suspected, but no ruling has been made, Ott said on Saturday evening.

He added that the investigation was focused on what had been three rooms on the first floor. Ott said each of the rooms had had Christmas trees, and the home was decorated for the holiday.

Ott said the decorations included both artificial and real trees.

According to the Louisville Courier-Journal, flames already were shooting through the roof in the rear of the Bailey home and through the front entryway when firefighters arrived shortly after 4:30 a.m. Friday, alerted by an alarm system.

Fire Chief Chris Aponte of the Harrods Creek Fire Department said the adults at the house were

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outside when firefighters arrived and were attempting a rescue, and fire crews joined in, according to the Courier-Journal.

While battling the blaze, the roof collapsed, Ott said. The elder Baileys were injured, as were three firefighters, and the couple's home was mostly destroyed. The Baileys were released from a local hospital on Saturday.

Five adults were in the house, including Deanna and Chris Bailey, when the fire started — four on the first floor and one in the basement. The boys had been located on the second floor, Aponte said.

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The brothers

The Bailey brothers were remembered Saturday as thoughtful, energetic boys, who loved the outdoors, their family and friends. They were rarely idle, everyone seemed to agree.

At home, the boys, who were described as "inseparable," lovingly cared for pets, including cats and a guinea pig. In fact, at one point in the last year, the boys insisted they start an egg business with the chickens the family had raised at their home on Morgan Lane.

The boys loved to be outside, playing in the yard and countryside near their rural home. Both boys were athletic, enjoying soccer and other outdoor sports. And the family loved to downhill ski. Several friends noted that the Baileys often spent time together downhill skiing at Sugarbush.

"They are a great family," said Jane Connolly, Solon Bailey's teacher. "They are very close." Teachers and friends said both boys were very empathetic, which endeared them to fellow classmates and adults alike. They both volunteered often for projects and community service. Their sensitivity toward others stood out to Crowley.

Chris and Deanna Bailey moved to the region after dairy farming for years in the Champlain Valley, according to friends and family. The boys, the Baileys' only children, were home-schooled for a few years, but often attended classes at Barre Town Elementary in part for education and part for socialization. Deanna Bailey went on to work at the school as the science and math coordinator and then as a paraeducator. (She now teaches science in Morrisville.) Chris Bailey is the manager of The Farmers Daughter LLC, a smokehouse in South Barre; he was involved with the Farmers Diner in Barre, which opened in 2002 and closed a few years later after moving to Quechee.

"(Deanna) was very much part of the school here," Crowley said of Deanna Bailey's time at Barre Town. "The boys more or less grew up here."

Then they started taking classes at the school. Solon Bailey started out shy but soon became one of the students who "everyone wanted to work with," according to several of his teachers. Liam Bailey, who also was described as an "engaged," "thoughtful student."

Neither boy ever dodged an academic challenge. Crowley described them as "top-notch." Solon played keyboard, just days ago, Dec. 16, at the school Christmas concert, where he performed two solos, including the famous "Linus and Lucy" from Charlie Brown fame; Liam played French horn. Solon Bailey also played in the school's senior jazz band.

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Courtesy, *Times-Argus.com*: December 27, 2009, Barre Town brothers killed in Kentucky fire, by Steven Pappas

"He was a very hard-working young man," said Brent White, the school's instrumental music teacher. "He took great pride in his work."

White said Solon Bailey was very responsible about practicing, schedules, and regularly sought feedback and advice from White about his playing.

"He wanted to do his best," White said. "I was very proud of him as a musician. ... He was not a know-it-all. He always wanted to learn."

William Bailey, too, had great potential as a musician, White said. "You could see it in him." Solon Bailey was learning Spanish, and was both a good writer and math/science student. Both boys were described as having "very pleasant dispositions" and good sense of humor. (Liam Bailey was considered the bigger ham of the two; Solon's sense of humor was called "dry.")

Cooley, Liam Bailey's fourth-grade teacher, said both boys always were surrounded by legions of friends.

"They were very bright kids," she said. In fact, Liam was one of three of 20 students she teaches who knew his multiplication tables through the 12s without error.

Cooley also was a neighbor who regularly babysat the boys after they moved to the area.

"They were always up to something," she said. "Always at it."

Ralf Bullock, Scoutmaster for Troop 714 in Barre, said Solon Bailey's love for outdoors and challenges translated into a determination to attain higher ranks in Scouting. He was Second Class trying to earn the First Class designation.

"He loved summer camp and being outdoors," Bullock said. "He seemed to get along with everybody."

Mark Lembke, who was Solon Bailey's math teacher, described his student as a "problem-solver." Cooley, who got word about the boys' deaths directly from Deanna Bailey by phone call, said she remains stunned by the tragedy.

"It is unbelievable," she said. "I don't know what it's going to be like when we go back into that classroom."

White, the music teacher, agreed it will be difficult when school resumes in a few weeks. He said it will be a "balance" between consoling students and faculty and feeling the loss himself.

"They feel like our own kids, too," he said.

Through a family representative, Deanna and Chris Bailey were said to be unavailable for comment.

Kentucky connection

Cathy Bailey, a former ambassador to Latvia under President George W. Bush, is a major Republican fundraiser and is considering a run for the U.S. Senate next year. Irv Bailey is former chairman and chief executive of Provident Corp., guiding the company through a decade of growth to its merger with the Dutch firm Aegon in 1997.

According to the Courier-Journal, the Bailey property sits on a winding, narrow street, Longview Lane, that runs off River Road in eastern Jefferson County. The street splits into a dead-end just past the property and a cul-de-sac that contains six large houses with spacious yards.

Because of the Kentucky connection, the family is holding a service there in the coming days. In the meantime, the Bailey family is asking that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made in honor of Solon and Liam to: The Beauregard Foundation: Solon and Liam Fund, c/o Chrysalis Ventures, 101 S. 5th St., Suite 1650, Louisville, KY 40202. The contributions will be used to support children's education programs.

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Solon L. and William T. Bailey

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BARRE TOWN - Solon Lawrence Bailey, age 12 and William (Liam) Theiler Bailey, age 10, both of Barre, passed away in a tragic house fire on Christmas morning. They had spent a wonderful Christmas Eve with their family, including Liam playing soccer and Solon playing piano for the family after dinner.

They both attended Barre Town Middle-Elementary School, with Solon in the seventh grade and Liam in the fourth grade.

Solon and Liam loved playing and listening to music, sledding, skiing and playing together and with their friends. They loved visiting with, learning from and traveling with their grandparents.

Solon began playing the piano when he was 6 and played classical piano for his instruction and recitals and started playing jazz with the school band. He enthusiastically navigated new computer programs and technology. Solon most enjoyed the outdoors and camping with family and with friends at Boy Scout and conservation camps. His passion for learning, sensitivity to others and subtle, mischievous sense of humor all characterize him.

Liam loved the competition, physical challenge and teamwork of soccer and especially loved playing with his Capital Soccer teams. He read avidly, particularly fantasy fiction. Liam loved playing the drums and recently started the French horn with the school band. His high energy, joyous approach to life, intensity, quick smile and humorous nature all made him "Liam."

They are survived their parents, Chris and Deanna Emberley Bailey; grandparents Irv and Cathy Bailey of Louisville, Nancy Bailey and Gary Herzberg of Bozeman, MT, Nancy Emberley and Jon Yarnall of Shelburne and Bill Emberley and Karen Snyder of Alburg; aunts, Michele Bailey Thomas (Chip) and Meredith Hernandez; uncles, Chris Emberley (Karen), David Emberley (Susan), John Receveur and nine cousins.

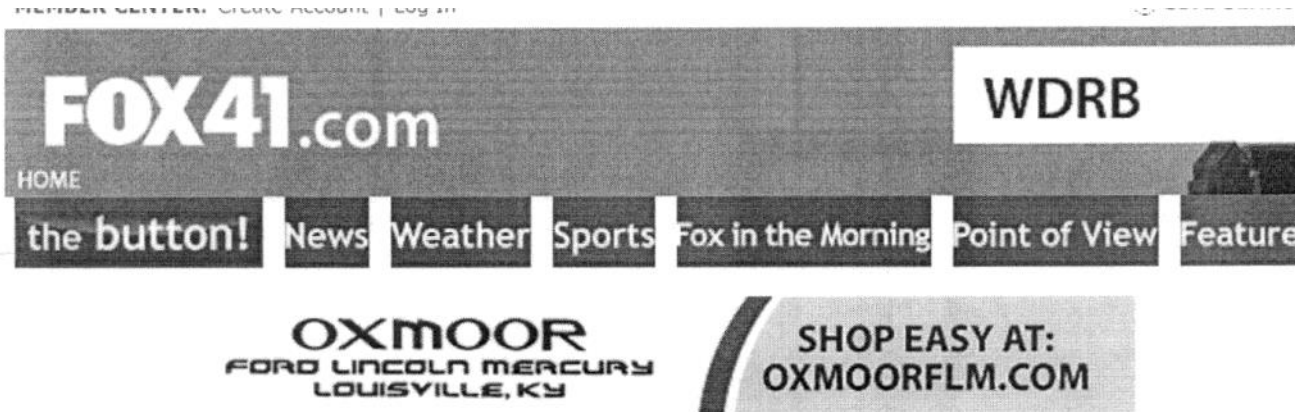
A memorial service to celebrate their lives will be held at St. Francis in the Fields, 6710 Wolf Pen Branch Road, Harrods Creek, Kentucky, at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 29. A visitation will follow. A memorial service and burial will be held in their home state of Vermont at a later date.

They will be dearly missed by their parents, family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be sent to the Beauregard Foundation: Solon and Liam Bailey Memorial Fund, c/o Chrysalis Ventures, 101 South 5th St., Suite 1650, Louisville, KY., 40202. Donations will be used for nonprofit, children's education programs in Central Vermont that were favorites of Solon and Liam.

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Family mourns children killed in Christmas fire

The community is still reeling over a Christmas morning house fire. Two children who died were visiting from out of state.

The victims were Solon and William Bailey. They were in town visiting grandparents for the holidays when they died in the fire.

The home on Longview Lane in Glenview belongs to Irv and Cathy Bailey.

"Cathy and Irv Bailey were released from University Hospital today," said Scott Jennings, family friend.

Jennings is a family friend and says the Baileys suffered only minor injuries in the fire, but they are heartbroken over the deaths of their grandsons.

"The children were ages 10 and 12. They were the sons of Irv Bailey's son and they reside in Barre, Vermont," said Jennings.

The victims were 12-year-old Solon and 10-year-old William Bailey.

"And it was obvious that they had made attempts to go back in," said Capt. Stephen Hanson, Harrods Creek Fire.

Several adults who made it out of the burning house went back inside but couldn't find the boys.

"They tried to do what they could. I don't blame 'em for trying," said Capt. Hanson.

More than 24 hours after the fire, investigators are still here on the scene. They believe the fire may have started in the basement, but the cause is still unknown.

"What we've heard the fire investigators say and what they've told people is that it's highly unlikely that it was criminal or arson," said Jennings.

"This is the worst one that I've experienced here with Harrods Creek, where we have two fatalities and especially children on a Christmas morning. That's pretty tough to take," said Capt. Hanson.

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Capt. Hanson with the Harrods Creek fire department says three firefighters were also injured in the fire.

"The two firefighters that were making their way up the staircase sustained some first and second degree burns on their legs and knees," said Capt. Hanson.

A third firefighter twisted his ankle.

Family members are focused on a memorial service for the boys and also learning what caused the fire.

"I think everyone is curious and anxious to know what happened," said Jennings.

Family members will hold a memorial service for the children Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church, located at 6710 Wolf Pen Branch Road, Harrods Creek, Kentucky, 40027. Immediately following the memorial service, a visitation will be held at the church in Graves Hall. Funeral services for the two boys will be held later this week in Vermont.

In lieu of flowers the family has set up a memorial fund in honor of the boys.

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Two children killed in Christmas morning blaze

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LOUISVILLE, KY (WAVE) - Two young boys were killed in a house fire early Christmas morning, and at least eight other people were hospitalized, including three firefighters.

The coroner has not confirmed the ages of the two boys, but they are believed to be 10 and 12 years old.

The Harrods Creek Fire Department responded to a fire alarm around 5:30 a.m. at 6410 Longview Lane near River Road. When firefighters arrived minutes later, the two-story home was already engulfed in flames and thick smoke and family members were still trapped inside.

"On arrival, there was fire through the roof of the structure," said Harrods Creek Fire Chief Chris Aponte.

The first firefighters to enter the home were forced to retreat when part of it collapsed. Although six family members managed to escape, firefighters were unable to rescue the two boys.

"We had two crews that attempted to get in," Aponte said. "They were pushed back by extreme heavy fire. Then we had a floor collapse and evacuated our firefighters out for safety."

Both children were found on the second floor.

It took about 30 minutes for firefighters to gain control of the blaze.

Owsley Brown, a neighbor who witnessed the fire, was in shock.

"We've seen an unbelievably horrible thing - a house completely burned," Brown said. "And some incredible tragedy that has happened around the whole thing."

The condition of the other victims wasn't immediately available.

Scott Jennings, a spokesman for the family who owned the home, released the following statement late Friday afternoon:

A fire destroyed the home of Irv and Cathy Bailey early this morning. Irv and Cathy are in the hospital with serious but non-life threatening injuries. Two children were killed in this tragedy, and the Bailey family is requesting privacy at this time of great loss.

Fire officials say there were smoke detectors in the home and they did go off. Investigators were working to determine the cause of the blaze.

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250 mourners remember 2 boys who died in Christmas fire

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Deanna Bailey wrapped her arms around Harrods Creek Fire Chief Chris Aponte — and then one-by-one hugged each of the firefighters who came to St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church Tuesday to honor the two sons she lost in a house fire on Christmas day.

Twelve-year-old Solon Bailey and 10-year-old William Bailey, known as Liam, died Friday after a fire broke out in their grandparents' Glenview home about 4:30 a.m. The boys had come from Barre, Vt., with their parents, Deanna and Chris Bailey, to spend Christmas with their grandparents, Cathy and Irving W. Bailey II.

Irving and Cathy Bailey were injured in the fire and taken to University Hospital before being released Saturday. Deanna and Chris Bailey, and the boys' uncle, John Receveur, were able to get out of the house unharmed.

Arson investigators spent Tuesday at the scene of the fire, trying to determine the cause. Heavy machinery had to be brought in to excavate the \$1.1 million home, which had collapsed from the extensive damage.

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On Tuesday morning, family and friends, including some who'd traveled from out of town, gathered in the St. Francis sanctuary to honor the Bailey boys, who were remembered as bright, fun-loving children who enjoyed hiking, biking and skiing.

The roughly 250 mourners included many of those from the Harrods Creek, St. Matthews, Lyndon and Worthington fire departments who battled the fire on Longview Lane but could not get to the boys who were in a second-story bedroom. It took 45 firefighters to put out the blaze.

"Our guys are hurting," said Aponte, who described the Longview fire fight as one of the worst experiences of his life. He said he and the other firefighters attended the funeral to show their support for the family — and he was moved by the hug from Deanna Bailey.

"It was a true, powerful embrace, and it was a loving one," Aponte said.

During the service, family members spoke of Solon Bailey as a budding pianist who had fallen in love with the instrument at age 6. His Vermont piano teacher came to the service to play some of his favorite songs, including one he had composed.



Sgt. Jason Sanders of the Louisville Metro Fire Department places a fire-damaged frame containing pictures of former President George Bush and Vice-President Dick Cheney outside the charred home of Irv and Cathy Bailey Tuesday morning. The Bailey's grandsons, Solon and William Bailey, died in the early morning Christmas day fire. (By Matt Stone, The Courier-Journal)

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Memorial service for Solon and William Bailey who died in a tragic fire at their grandparents home on Long View Avenue on Christmas morning. The families limo leaving the memorial service at St. Francis of the Fields in Harrods Creek. (Kylene Lloyd, The Courier-Journal)

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Residential fires kill 20 this year in Jefferson County

*By Chris Quay and Jessie Halladay
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Twenty people have died in house and apartment fires this year in Jefferson County — more than the previous three years combined.

The deaths of three children in house fires in the past week, coupled with a July 4 fire that killed six people, have pushed the number of fire-related fatalities to metro Louisville's highest levels in recent memory, said Maj. Henry Ott, head of the arson squad for Louisville Fire and Rescue.

"We haven't had anything like this," Ott said.

The causes of the two most recent fatal fires haven't been determined. But a variety of causes have been cited in the others — careless smoking, children playing with lit objects, even spontaneous combustion.

Officials say they are a stark reminder of the need to take extra precautions in the home, especially at a time of year when residents are trying to keep warm.

"It is upsetting to see people lose their lives and families lose their homes," said Maj. Edward Hammack, assistant fire marshal and chief of fire prevention for Louisville Fire & Rescue.

Records from the Louisville Fire arson squad show that there were eight fires in the city limits that killed 14 people in 2009. Another five fires — in Harrods Creek, Fern Creek, Highview, Pleasure Ridge Park and Okolona — left six people dead.

This December has been especially bad month for residential fires, officials said.

As of Tuesday morning, Hammack said his department had responded to 46 residential fires this month — higher than normal.

While the number of suburban fire department runs wasn't unavailable Tuesday, Fairdale Fire Chief Don Wittry said his department has had to respond to about six major residential fires this month, also more than usual.

On Monday, Louisville firefighters battled three fires— one at a vacant house on West Muhammad Ali Boulevard, another in a kitchen of a home on Falmouth Court, and one at an apartment on Barret Avenue. No injuries were reported in any of those fires.

But last week, two separate house fires last week killed 10-year-old Delanie Woodward and brothers Solon L. Bailey, 12, and William T. "Liam" Bailey, 10.

The Bailey boys died of smoke inhalation after a fire broke out in their grandparents' Glenview home about 4:30 a.m. Christmas Day. The boys had come from Barre, Vt., for the holiday.

Delanie died from smoke inhalation at Kosair Children's Hospital Dec. 22 after being pulled with her mother from her Burkley Avenue home in South Louisville. Her mother also suffered severe smoke inhalation and was admitted to University Hospital, where she remains, Hammack said.

Several calls to the family seeking comment were not returned Tuesday.

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Another child, 11-year-old Angel Chambers was badly burned on her face, hands and upper body in a fire Dec. 21 on Bolling Avenue. She is still recovering in the hospital, according to her mother, Mary Chambers.

"She's getting better," Mary Chambers said. "But it's going to be a long road ahead."

A fund has been created for the Chambers family through Chase Bank.

Hammack said many fires this time of year are caused by residents misusing space heaters or plugging in extension cords where they shouldn't.

Space heaters aren't intended to heat an entire home and should not be left on while people are asleep, he said. He said that while the fire department does what it can to inform people about using heating appliances properly, "but try to convince people of that who are cold."

Wittry said residents should use common sense when using space heaters. Fires are caused more times than not because people "just aren't thinking things through."

Richard Peddicord, assistant director for Kentucky's division of fire prevention, said the winter months typically see an uptick in the number of fires around the state. December, January and February are Kentucky's peak months for serious residential fires, he said.

"People stay inside trying to keep warm and they close up a little tighter," failing to properly vent their homes, he said.

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Additional Facts

Safety tips

When using a generator:

- *Don't use them indoors or inside attached garages, keep them at least 10 feet away from the home
- *Make sure the engine is stopped when refueling
- *Use the recommended type of fuel
- *Allow generators to cool down for at least 15 minutes before refueling, 30 minutes after prolonged use
- *Do not exceed the output capacity
- *Do not hard-wire the generator directly to the home
- *Use the approved type of extension cord (heavy gauge wire)

When using space heaters:

- *Make sure it meets industry testing standards
- *Make sure it has built-in safety features, such as automatic shut-off when it tips over or overheats, or a built-in timer
- *Do not use if the electrical cord is damaged
- *Keep the heater at least 3 feet from combustibles such as upholstery, draperies or furniture.
- *Unplug the heater whenever you leave the room, the home and when you go to bed

When using a fireplace:

- *Make sure it has been serviced by a certified technician
- *Make sure the flue is in working condition
- *Use a screen to keep embers and sparks inside the fire place\

2009 Jefferson County fatal house fires

- *Jan. 21: 1100 block of Euclid Ave., 1 death, cause: careless smoking
- *Jan. 24: 2800 block of Del Rio, 1 death, cause: undetermined
- *Feb. 1: 3100 block of Woodland, 2 deaths, cause: undetermined
- *Feb. 22: 4100 block of Pinecroft, Okolona, 1 death, cause: careless smoking
- *June 1: 7300 block of Ethan Allen Way, Pleasure Ridge Park, 1 death, cause: child with lighter
- *July 4: 1200 block of Clay St., six deaths, cause: undetermined
- *Aug. 1: 6400 block of By Way, one death, cause: smoking
- *Aug. 16: 6300 block of Overton, Highview, one death, cause: unattended cooking
- *Aug. 25: 10000 block of Seatonville Road, Fern Creek, one death, cause: careless smoking
- *Sept. 2: 1300 block of South Second Street, one death, cause: spontaneous combustion
- *Oct. 24: 3500 block of Tyrone, one death, cause: methamphetamine lab
- *Dec. 22: 4700 block of Burkley Avenue, one death, cause: under investigation
- *Dec. 25: 6400 block of Longview, Harrods Creek, two deaths, cause: under investigation

2009

Courtesy *The Courier-Journal*, by Sean Rose, December 31, 2009, Investigators narrow area where fatal Christmas Day fire began.

Investigators have narrowed the start of a Christmas Day fire in Glenview that killed two boys to two rooms, one of which had a furnace in it and was across the hall from where the boys were sleeping.

Maj. Henry Ott of the Louisville Metro Arson Squad said investigators recovered a furnace Wednesday that was heavily damaged and was reportedly in an attic area used for storage on the second floor of the house in the 6400 block of Longview Drive off River Road. Arson investigators are routinely involved in fire investigations.

The boys' bodies were reportedly found in the doorway to their room, not far from the attic area where the furnace was located, Ott said.

Investigators will be focusing on that storage area and the dining room that was directly below it on the first floor to try to determine where the fire began. But because of the massive amount of damage the home sustained, Ott cautioned a cause may never be determined.

"We should be able to narrow it down to an area ... but I'm not exactly sure if we'll ever have a finite cause for what happened," said Ott, addressing the media Wednesday afternoon at the end of the driveway to the gutted home.

Ott said he expected investigators to wrap up their work on the scene by the end of Thursday, and would meet that day with representatives from ADT Security Services to check how alarms in the home responded during the fire.

The fire started shortly after 4:30 a.m. Christmas morning. Solon L. Bailey, 12, and his brother, William T. "Liam" Bailey, 10, of Barre, Vt., were killed.

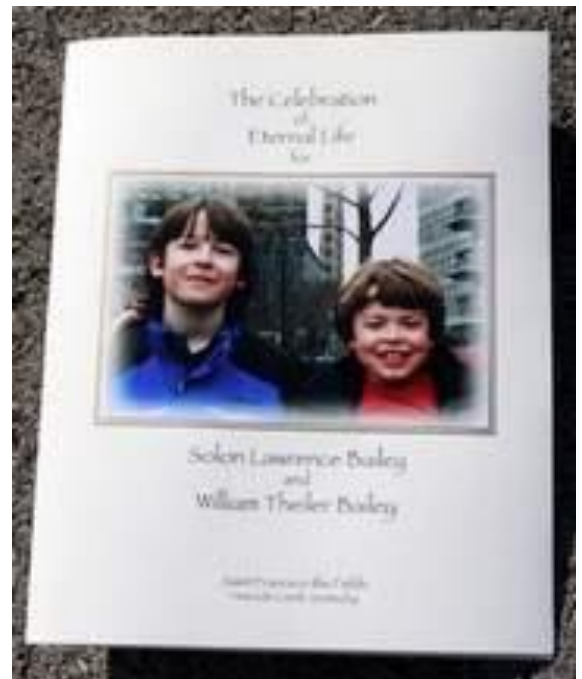
Preliminary autopsy results show they died from smoke inhalation, said Jefferson County Deputy Coroner Rita Taylor.

The boys were visiting their grandfather, Irving W. Bailey II, and his wife, Cathy Bailey with their parents. The grandparents were injured in the fire and released from University Hospital on Saturday.

The boys' parents, Deanna and Chris Bailey, and uncle, John Receveur, got out of the house unharmed.



Maj. Henry Ott of the Louisville Metro Arson Squad stands amid the remains of the Glenview home of Irv and Cathy Bailey, where a Christmas Day fire killed their two grandsons, Solon and William Bailey. (By Matt Stone, The Courier-Journal) (cj)



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Courtesy *The Courier-Journal*, December 30, 2009, Indian Hills home heavily damaged by fire.



December 30, 2009

Indian Hills home heavily damaged by fire

The Courier-Journal

A house in the 5100 block of Moccasin Trail in the Indian Hills neighborhood was heavily damaged by a fire Wednesday evening.

The fire began in the kitchen of the one-story house shortly after 6 p.m. and was caused by unattended cooking, said St. Matthews Fire Protection District Chief William Seng. The elderly woman who owned the house and one other person were able to get out safely before firefighters arrived, he said.

About 20 firefighters from the St. Matthews department and Lyndon Fire and Rescue had the blaze under control in 15 minutes and kept the fire contained to the kitchen, Seng said.

The kitchen of the home had extensive fire damage and the rest of the home had significant smoke and water damage, Seng said.

December, Incident Report:

Incident Type Report (Summary) (Modified)

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
. Fire				
l11 Building fire	5	4.71%	\$125,000	100.00%
l14 Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
l31 Passenger vehicle fire	2	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	8	7.54%	\$125,000	100.00%

311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	9	8.49%	\$0	0.00%
3112 Medical assist, AED applied no shocks	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
3115 Medical assist, cancelled enroute by	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
	14	13.20%	\$0	0.00%

400 Hazardous condition, Other	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
413 Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
424 Carbon monoxide incident	5	4.71%	\$0	0.00%
441 Heat from short circuit (wiring),	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
444 Power line down	2	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
460 Accident, potential accident, Other	2	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	6	5.66%	\$0	0.00%
	19	17.92%	\$0	0.00%

511 Lock-out	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
522 Water or steam leak	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	2	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
550 Public service assistance, Other	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
551 Assist police or other governmental agency	3	2.83%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	5	4.71%	\$0	0.00%
	13	12.26%	\$0	0.00%

600 Good intent call, Other	5	4.71%	\$0	0.00%
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	12	11.32%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	8	7.54%	\$0	0.00%
650 Steam, Other gas mistaken for smoke, Other	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
	27	25.47%	\$0	0.00%

700 False alarm or false call, Other	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
733 Smoke detector activation due to	7	6.60%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	7	6.60%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	5	4.71%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	1	0.94%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	3	2.83%	\$0	0.00%
	25	23.58%	\$0	0.00%

Total Est Loss: \$125,000

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