

**BURLINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
Monday, March 10, 2008**

Members present: Dave Conrad, Chris Van Meter, Robert C. Hurst III, Yvonne Manning, Brian Riddell, and Harry Pickett. Also present were: Chief Barlow and Attorney Mike McKinney. Member absent was AJ Schaeffer.

Chairman Conrad called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Audience of Citizens**

No comments.

**Chief's Report**

No comments.

**Agenda Additions**

Chief Barlow requested that the Thelen Report on the Retaining Wall be added to Old Business. Ms. Manning moved to approve the Agenda Addition of the Thelen Report on the Retaining Wall be added to Old Business. Motion was seconded by Mr. Hurst. Motion passed unanimously.

**Consent Agenda**

Mr. Riddell moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Ms. Manning. Motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

Retaining Wall: Chief Barlow contacted Spaulding and gave them the report from Thelen. Spaulding was looking at the retaining wall the morning of March 10, 2008. Chief Barlow has not been notified by Spaulding as to his thoughts about the Retaining Wall.

Health Insurance Update:

Chief Barlow attended the workshop and the insurance meeting. Chief Barlow reported that Union will not be withdrawing from the Inter-Local Agreement. Union has decided that it would not be suitable for them to withdraw.

Chief Barlow reported that the ongoing issues the Burlington Fire Protection District is having with Medben is customer service related. There has been some resolution to some of the issues we are having with Medben. Chief Barlow mentioned that there will need to be some

modifications to the current plan to make it solvent. Chief Barlow spoke with Medben about having an education seminar with the employees to educate them on their medical benefits. The education seminar will take place at the Burlington Fire Department. The target date is the April 2, 2008. Chief Barlow has asked Medben that they have (2) sessions for the education seminar so that it will give the opportunity for the employee's spouses to attend. During the education seminar Medben will educate on how the self-funding works. Ms. Manning asked Chief Barlow to confirm the target date with Medben so the Board Members will be able to attend.

Chief Barlow reported that we did receive the budget projections for the next fiscal year. The forecast is an average of 14.2% increase in the medical package. Medben is predicting 12% - 15% medical loss inflation.

The Insurance meetings have been held in Hebron, but they have decided for each department to take turns. This will give the members of the Burlington Fire Protection District the opportunity to attend. Burlington will host the insurance meeting on June 5, 2008 at 3:00p.m.

Chief Barlow did inquire about other departments and their issues with Medben. Hebron stated that they do not have any on going problems with Medben; Union stated that their issues are customer service related; Walton stated they have had a few issues.

Chief Barlow's recommendation to the board is to continue with Medben for 1 more year. He suggests that if there are continuous problems with Medben then the group should look into another carrier. Burlington Fire Protection District will continue with Medben.

Sale of Squads: The sales of both squads are complete.

EMS/747 update: 0 Mutual Aid responses with Gallatin County since we entered into the agreement.

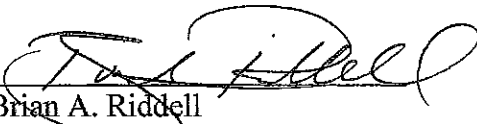
Incentive Point Update: Assistant Chief Klaserner has a proposed draft for a new policy. Chief Barlow has looked at it but it is not ready to be presented to the Board Members this month. Chief Barlow is continuing to speak with the Volunteer Members to discuss the benefits and concerns with the Incentive Point Program. Chief Barlow is looking on how to track the points to maximize the incentive. Chief Barlow estimates to have the revised policy ready for the April Board Meeting.

Electronic Banking: The access to the First Financial website has been given. The ability to view all accounts through the website is complete. First Financial will be changing the view from a Personal aspect to a Business aspect to give the ability to make electronic payments via online. A list will be given to the Board Members each month for all the payments that will be issued out of the checking account.

### New Business

Station 2 Update: Assistant Chief Klaserner received notification from the state regarding changes in the expansion of Camp Ernst Road. Alternative sites have been suggested if Camp Ernst is not modified as originally planned. The alternative sites include: Oakbrook Drive and Wynds Drive, and Oakbrook Drive and Deermeade Drive.

At 7:26 Mr. Van Meter moved to adjourn. Mr. Hurst seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Secretary:   
Brian A. Riddell

Chairman:   
David Conrad