

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD
OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE
WINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

February 27, 2008

Meeting called to order by Chairman Clarke at 6:45 p.m. at Station #1, 27W530 Highlake Rd., Winfield, IL.

Roll Call: Chairman James Clarke, Commissioner Thomas Duhig, and Secretary Janet Lewis

Also present: Fire Chief Phillip DiMenza and Deputy Chief Bryan Lewis

Present via telephone: Commissioner Bill Bell

Minutes of the meeting dated, February 11, 2008 was distributed. Motion made by Commissioner Duhig, seconded by Chairman Clarke to accept the minutes as presented. Pursuant to a voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Financial & Correspondence Matters: Secretary Lewis presented a bill from Attorney Carolyn Clifford for \$54.00 for professional services, which were also presented last meeting for payment. At that time, Chairman Clarke and Commissioner Duhig stated they would not approve payment of the bill until it was investigated further. Chairman Clarke was to contact Attorney Clifford and report back with his findings. Chairman Clarke stated he has not talked to Attorney Clifford yet but will contact her by our next meeting. Commissioner Duhig stated he is pursuing hiring a different law firm to represent the Commission. Chairman Clarke stated we could discuss the matter at the next meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Discussion took place regarding how preference points will be allocated to a candidate who quit his employment with the fire district and returned years later as a rehire. Secretary Lewis spoke with Attorney Clifford who stated said candidate is allowed full preference points for his years of service and that his break in employment does not negate preference points and are not to be calculated based on his date of re-hire.

A discussion took place regarding starting the conditional offer of full-time firefighter employment to the number one candidate, Brandon Clairmont. Commissioner Duhig motioned, seconded by Chairman Clarke to make the conditional offer of employed to Mr. Clairmont. All in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Secretary Lewis will send out information to Mr. Clairmont regarding his conditional offer.

Executive Session: None

Next Meeting: March 18, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

With there being no further business, Commissioner Duhig moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. seconded by Chairman Clarke. Pursuant to a voice vote, all were in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Lewis, Secretary
Board of Fire Commissioners