

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. board was held Monday, February 27, 2023, at the firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by board vice president Patrick Stoess at 7:30 p.m., with thirteen board members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read; there was no meeting in January. Mark Gardner made a motion to approve the minutes. Mark Hoskins seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

The treasurer's report was given by treasurer, Matt Nelson, and showed the following bank balances. The report for December was: regular checking account - \$177,372.28; money market account - \$1,915,343.13; auxiliary account - \$3,495.80; chief's operating account - \$1,328.95; capital improvement account - \$650,253.66, for a total cash on hand of \$2,747,793.82. Eddie Turner made a motion to accept the treasurer's December report. Norbert Rawert seconded the motion, and the motion passed. The report for January was: regular checking account - \$70,202.24; money market account - \$1,815,358.87; auxiliary account - \$3,975.80; chief's operating account - \$1,018.95; capital improvement account - \$650,259.27; for a total cash on hand of \$2,540,815.13. Dick Beard made a motion to approve the treasurer's January report. Eddie Turner seconded the motion, and the motion passed. The report for February was: regular checking account - \$49,530.58; money market account - \$1,546,990.70; auxiliary account - \$3,953.80; chief's operating account - \$1,078.95; capital improvement account - \$851,025.62; for a total cash on hand of \$2,452,579.65. Mark Gardner made a motion to approve the treasurer's February report. Ellery Esposito seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Chief Blakely reported 1077 total runs for 2022. Total runs for January were 67. Training has included: First Due training with volunteer staff; drivers' training; ice rescue training; CPR and first aid.

Mark Hoskins made a motion to enter into a contract with Atlantic Emergency Apparatus to purchase a new Pierce ladder truck at a cost of \$2,128,934.00, and a performance bond of \$5,216.00. Mark Gardner seconded the motion, and the motion passed with one vote of no by Clayton Raymer.

No other business to come before the board at this time. A motion to adjourn was made at 8:15 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert H. Deibel, III

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. board was held Monday, March 27, 2023, at the firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by board president David Thompson at 7:30 p.m., with sixteen board members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given by treasurer, Matt Nelson, and showed the following bank balances: capital improvement account - \$852,798.74; checking account - \$16,909.30; money market account - \$1,490,204.19; auxiliary account - \$3,931.80; chief's operating account - \$726.95; for a total cash on hand of \$2,364,570.98. Eddie Turner made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Mark Hoskins seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Chief Blakely reported 116 runs for March, and 219 runs year to date. Training for the month consisted of: live fire training, drivers training, haz mat technician, and air bag training.

A finance committee consisting of Clayton Raymer, Matt Nelson, and Chief Blakely have put together some different financing options for the purchase of the new ladder truck. A motion was made by Matt Nelson, and seconded by Dick Beard, to go with a self-payment, delivery down payment, and financing of the remaining principal. The motion passed.

Chief Blakely presented some changes to the fire department bylaws. Mark Gardner made a motion to accept the changes to the bylaws. Patrick Stoess seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

No other business to come before the board at this time. A motion to adjourn was made at 8:01 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert H. Deibel, III

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. board was held Monday, April 24, 2023, at the firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by board president David Thompson at 7:30 p.m., with sixteen board members present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given by treasurer, Matt Nelson, and showed the following bank balances: capital improvement account; \$855,585.49; checking account - \$138,895.31; money market account - \$1,304,686.37; auxiliary account - \$3,287.63; chief's operating account - \$1,000.00; for a total cash on hand of \$2,293,457.70. Marvin

Stoess made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Gary Haupt seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Chie Blakely reported 71 runs for April, and 381 runs year to date. Training for the month consisted of: drivers training, critical incident stress management, S.A.R.S. training, and practical company evolutions.

Chief Blakely presented the need to purchase a used slide-in pump for 5478. Mark Hoskins made a motion to approve this purchase. Tim Wakefield seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Chief Blakely would like to donate the safety trailer to Campbellsburg Fire Department, and transfer the title. Mark Gardner made a motion to approve this. Patrick Stoess seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

No other business to come before the board at this time. A motion to adjourn was made at 8:03 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert H. Deibel, III

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES MAY 22, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, May 22, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board Members present: Nelson, Beard, Rawert, Thompson, Dennis Deibel, Marvin Stoess, Patrick Stoess, Hoskins, Wakefield, Turner, Marshall, Miller, Holder, and Jones. Also present were Kelly King, Laura Stoess, Travis German, and Jim Johnson.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$858,167.91
Checking account	\$ 96,363.84
Money Market account	\$1,153,792.60
Auxiliary account	\$3,287.63
Chief's account	\$1,000
Total cash on hand	\$2,112,611.98

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Eddie Turner. Mark Hoskins seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Major Nelson reported that there were repairs made due to storm damage. The amount due was a \$1,000 deductible and we have already received the insurance check.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 69 runs for May and 468 runs year to date. Training for the month consisted of drivers training, hazardous materials training, L.G. & E. training at their facilities, and practical company evolutions. Four (4) members of the Department attended the Train the Trainer class for active shooter/hostile event response.

School fire drills were conducted at South Oldham High School. Firefighters attended the Spring Carnival at Kenwood Station Elementary and distributed fire prevention packets. Reminder that the Crusade for Children collections will begin next week.

A sensor related to the DEF system was replaced on Unit 5438. The safety trailer will be donated to Campbellsburg Fire Department, which will sign a general release.

Chief Blakely reported that he had checked on insurance rates to make sure that our current rates are competitive. He found no rates better than what we currently have through KLC.

Chief Blakely distributed a proposed budget to be considered and voted on next month. He outlined comparisons to last year including additional funds for training, PPE, and unscheduled overtime. Pension percentage went down and there was a small increase in workers' compensation insurance.

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, Patrick Stoess reported that we have increased health benefits for employees as a way to retain firefighters. Providing full coverage health insurance helps to retain and recruit employees. This will be a savings of \$800 per month for a family plan. The personnel committee has recommended full coverage health insurance and a 6.5 percent cost of living adjustment. All positions are currently filled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Potential By-Law Amendment: President Thompson announced that there are currently three (3) Board vacancies; Kevin Reardon and Chad McCormick have resigned from the Board and the position previously vacated by Jason Greer has not yet been filled. President Thompson would like to receive feedback on a potential proposal to amend the By-Laws to allow the two elected Firefighter Representatives that serve on the District Board to automatically serve on the Inc. Board. This would provide continuity and give Firefighters more direct involvement on the Inc. Board. Discussion was held. Feedback was favorable. President Thompson directed counsel, Laura Stoess, draft an amendment to the By-Laws to allow for such action. He would like to consider it for a vote next month.
2. Oldham Co. Fire Instructors Association: Major Nelson announced an idea to form the Oldham Co. Fire Instructors Association to host an educational meeting for District Trustees. This event would be taught by Mo Burns, an experienced Fire Protection District attorney and would last approximately three (3) hours. It would be free and would be conducted during the evening or a weekend. Several members expressed an interest in attending.
3. Lock box: Dennis Deibel reminded the Board that we have a lock box at PNC Bank. The lock box contains important documents, such as property deeds and vehicle titles. He recommended that President Thompson be given one of the keys to this box in case he needs to access any of these documents. There was no objection.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

The next meeting will be held on June 26, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert H. DeWitt", followed by a stylized flourish or checkmark.

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES JUNE 26, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, June 26, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board Members present: Nelson, Beard, Thompson, Dennis Deibel, Marvin Stoess, Patrick Stoess, Hoskins, Holder, Esposito, Gardner, Haupt, Bobby Deibel, McMakin. Also present were Chief Blakely, Kelly King, Laura Stoess, and Jim Johnson.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$ 861,217.11
Checking account	\$ 50,633.57
Money Market account	\$1,068,115.61
Auxiliary account	\$ 3,287.63
Chief's account	\$ 1,000.00
Total cash on hand	\$1,984,253.92

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Richard Beard. David Holder seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 78 responses for June and 571 runs year to date. Training for the month consisted of lithium-ion battery training, live fire training, L.G & E. training, RTF SAR training, and practical company evolutions.

Firefighter Brandon Just received his National EMT certification. Firefighter Folz will be attending a Fire Instructor certification course in July.

The Department is currently conducting fire hydrant testing. 538 hydrants have been tested out of approximately 800.

Chief Blakely reported that KLC was here to discuss insurance with employees and assist with completion of paperwork.

Unit 5438 has a foam leak, which will need to be repaired, and will be taken to Fire & Specialty Equipment for an annual inspection and a cable adjustment on the ladder. The safety trailer has been transferred to Campbellsburg. A pump skid was received from LaGrange and installed on Unit 5478. The old skid was removed and surplused. A portion of the Plymovent exhaust system has been installed at Station #2.

The Department has collected \$65,233 for the Crusade for Children and more is expected to come in.

The crew attended a memorial service at the Veterans Memorial as well as an event at Maples Park.

Equipment has been ordered for the active shooter response team. Training will be scheduled upon receipt of the equipment.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Thompson reminded Members of the proposed budget for 2023-2024 that was presented by Chief Blakely last month. Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions and discussion was held. Dennis Deibel made a motion to approve the budget as presented and Richard Beard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
2. President Thompson announced that Tim Wakefield recommended Donald (Rusty) Davis to fill the current Board vacancy. Several members of the Board met with Mr. Davis to discuss his participation. Mr. Davis has lived in the area for fifty (50) years and works in real estate. Dennis Deibel moved to nominate Mr. Davis to fill the Board vacancy left by the departure of Jason Greer. Patrick Stoess seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. President Thompson distributed an amendment to the By-Laws, which would allow the two elected Firefighter Representatives that serve on the District Board to automatically serve on the Inc. Board for the same term. This would provide continuity and give Firefighters more representation on the Inc. Board. Gary Haupt made a motion to approve the amendment as presented. Dale McMakin seconded. Discussion was held. The motion carried with one nay vote. Therefore, the Inc. Board vacancies left by the resignations of Kevin Reardon and Chad McCormick will be filled by Jim Johnson and Travis German.
4. Several Board positions expire next month. If your term expires, let President Thompson know whether or not you intend to continue serving.

5. Major Nelson reminded Members that the Oldham Co. Fire Instructors Association will host an educational meeting for District Trustees on August 16, 2023 at 7:30 pm at Ballardsville Station 2 in Centerfield.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

The next meeting will be held on July 24, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES JULY 24, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, July 24, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:39 p.m. (after the annual meeting) with the following Board Members present: Nelson, Beard, Thompson, Dennis Deibel, Marvin Stoess, Patrick Stoess, Hoskins, Holder, Rawert, Wakefield, German, Davis, Turner, Jones, Esposito, Gardner, Haupt, Tim Deibel, and Bobby Deibel. Also present were Chief Blakely, Kelly King, and Laura Stoess.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$ 863,998.96
Checking account	\$ 2,145.66
Money Market account	\$ 921,647.60
Auxiliary account	\$ 3,227.82
Chief's account	\$ 950.00
Total cash on hand	\$1,791,970.04

Major Nelson reported that the interest earned to date is \$35,372.68. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Eddie Turner. Norb Rawert seconded the motion. The motion carried. Major Nelson also reported that the PNC card in Chief Turner's name has been cancelled and a new card issued to Chief Blakely.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: President Thompson requested nominations for officer elections for the upcoming year. Dennis Deibel recommended that the Board retain the officers from last year and nominated the following slate: David Thompson for President, Patrick Stoess for Vice President, Major Matt Nelson for Treasurer, and Bobby Deibel for Secretary. Richard Beard seconded the nominations. Tim Wakefield moved to close the nominations and Mark Hoskins seconded. Election was held and the nominated candidates were unanimously approved.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 90 responses for June, 63 responses to date for July, and 646 runs year to date. Training for the month consisted of drivers training, including emergency service trailer operations, air bag equipment rescue training, and RTF training.

Firefighter Alex Parker received his certification for 5458. Firefighter Folz will be attending a Fire Instructor certification course from July 24-29 at the Fairmount Training Facility. Chief Blakely will attend the KFA Conference in Louisville.

The Department is currently conducting fire hydrant testing. 599 hydrants have been tested out of approximately 800.

Unit 5438 is in the shop undergoing repair for the foam leak. The installation of the Plymovent exhaust system at Station #2 is complete.

Equipment has been ordered for the active shooter response team. Training will be scheduled upon receipt of the equipment.

Pursuant to KRS 75.170, firefighters and volunteers will be given the oath of service. The County Judge can administer the oath or a notary.

The Oldham County Sheriff's Department donated a used Ford Explorer to the Department. Major Nelson will primarily use this vehicle, which will free up the pick-up truck for use by the Shift Captains. The light bar was donated by the Pewee Valley Fire Department. Striping and decals need to be done. The Department is hoping to be able to use this vehicle for another three (3) or four (4) years. Thank you Sheriff Wakefield for your efforts in securing this vehicle for the Department!

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Dennis Deibel commended Chief Blakely, the Department, and the Board for an excellent job this past year. He indicated that he was pleased with the financial state of the Department and encouraged everyone to keep up the good work.
2. Kelly King recommended that we include \$6,000 worth of invoices in the 2022-2023 budget for accounting purposes. Gary Haupt made a motion to accept Kelly's recommendation and it was seconded by Patrick Stoess. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Major Nelson reminded Members that the Oldham Co. Fire Instructors Association will host an educational training session with Attorney Mo Burns for District Trustees on August 16, 2023 at 7:30 pm at Ballardsville Station 2 in Centerfield.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

The next meeting will be held on August 28, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.



ROBERT DEIBEL III, SECRETARY

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES AUGUST 28, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, August 28, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board Members present: Rawert, Nelson, Beard, Marvin Stoess, Jones, Tim Deibel, Wakefield, Robert Deibel, Eddie Turner, Patrick Stoess, Hoskins, Davis, Johnson, Dennis Deibel, Gardener, Thompson, Holder, and Espisito. Also present were Chief Blakely and Laura Stoess.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$ 866,882.82
Checking account	\$ 69,173.23
Money Market account	\$ 708,947.63
Auxiliary account	\$ 3,898.82
Chief's account	\$ 950.00
Total cash on hand	\$1,649,852.50

Major Nelson reported that the interest earned to date on the capital improvements and Money Market accounts is \$41,267.38. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Mark Hoskins. Tim Deibel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Major Nelson also reported that the reserve auxiliary account has been closed. This account was established for use with raffles and other such activities, but has not been used for some time. Service fees were being charged, so the balance of that account was transferred to the primary auxiliary account.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 114 responses to date for August, and 781 responses year to date. Training for the month consisted of drivers training, including emergency service trailer operations, practical evolutions, swift water training and salvage and overhaul.

Firefighter Folz obtained the Fire Instructor Certification. Captain Johnson, Sergeant Johnson, and Sergeant Cheatham obtained the following certifications: VFIS Train the Trainer Emergency Vehicle Drivers Training. Upcoming training includes heavy stabilization and lift class as well as hazardous materials training.

The Department is currently conducting fire hydrant testing. 612 hydrants have been tested out of approximately 800.

Major Nelson has obtained his Notary Public credentials so that he can administer the oath of duty to Members.

The Department is in the process of applying for several grants, including Safer Grant, State Fire Commission Grant, and Peyton Samuel Head Family Trust Grant.

Unit 5438 repair for the foam leak has been completed as well as replacement of a hose to the transmission. Unit 5435 is undergoing repairs to the squirt nozzle. Repairs are being made to the air conditioner and bad sensors are being replaced on Unit 5469. The service vehicle has been taken to the shop to change out the lighting equipment and perform decal work.

There are gutter issues at Station #1. Chief is obtaining quotes for repair work.

Equipment has been delivered for the active shooter response team. Training has been scheduled for September 11-13.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Nine (9) people attended the Trustee training with Mo Byrnes on August 16, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Dennis Deibel advised the Board that the District Trustees would be setting the tax rate at their meeting immediately following the Inc. Board meeting. Last year, the tax rate was set at .095 cents per \$100. He is going to recommend that the Trustees set the 2023 tax rate at .10 cent per \$100, which is the maximum allowable. This would amount to an additional \$5 on a \$100,000 assessment. The reason for the recommended increase is due to rising payroll costs and generating operating expenses as well as the new ladder truck. An increase would keep the Department on sound financial footing.
2. Chief Blakely gave an update on new construction projects and developments within the District including ParkVue Townhomes, Brentwood Section 9, Perkins/Claymont Storage Building, Hawley Gibson Project, and the Clore Station Project, which is scheduled for technical review on September 20, 2023. Chief Blakely advised that with all of the new developments coming, it is possible that South Oldham will need another company.

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3. Chief Blakely attended the KFA Conference in Louisville. Several resolutions were passed including tax credits for volunteer firefighters, increasing the maximum tax rates for Special Districts, classifying all professional certified firefighters and fire based EMS as hazardous duty employees, prioritizing workers' compensation cancer coverage, making personnel eligible for retirement benefits on their first day of employment, for all future firefighters to be including in the Tier 2 pension system, and changing the definition of pension spiking. Chief Blakely advised that he will be going to Frankfort to promote these resolutions.
4. Matt Nelson advised the Board that the promotional rate on the Money Market account and the Capital Improvement account at PNC Bank will expire on October 4, 2023. That current is 4%. He will shop the rate and obtain quotes for next month's meeting.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

The next meeting will be held on September 25, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.



ROBERT DEIBEL III, SECRETARY

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, September 25, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board Members present: Haupt, Rawert, Nelson, Beard, Marvin Stoess, Jones, Wakefield, Robert Deibel, Eddie Turner, Patrick Stoess, Hoskins, Davis, Dennis Deibel, Gardner, Holder, Espisito, and German. Also present were Chief Blakely, Kelly King, and Laura Stoess.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the August meeting were read and approved with two changes.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$ 869,776.31
Checking account	\$ 133,663.88
Money Market account	\$ 511,448.55
Auxiliary account	\$ 3,974.03
Chief's account	\$ 1,100.71
Total cash on hand	\$1,519,963.48

Major Nelson reported that the interest earned to date on the capital improvements and Money Market accounts is \$46,661.79. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by D. Deibel. Tim Wakefield seconded the motion. The motion carried. Major Nelson also reported that he has received verbal confirmation from the PNC representative that the interest rate on the capital improvement and money market accounts should be 4% - 4.5%. Ellery Espisito made a motion, which was amended by Dennis Deibel, to keep our business at PNC Bank provided they were able to give us the going market rate. Beard second motion. The motion carried.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 66 responses to date for September, and 859 responses year to date. Training for the month consisted of drivers training, rescue task force, and practical evolutions extrication, stabilization, and ropes. Shift training for the month consisted of rescue task force

training, landing zone/aircraft familiarization with Pewee Valley Fire, pump/aerial operations on 5458, drivers training on 5458, and building construction.

Sgt. Norris attended NFA Leadership Training at Jefferson County regional training Academy. Sgt. Johnson completed Large Animal Rescue Class. Firefighter Folz received IFSAC Certifications to be a Fire Instructor. Recruit Annabeth White received her certifications in Haz-Mat Awareness and Operations and will be testing out on Saturday October 14th.

Upcoming fire schools and training in November include a heavy stabilization and lift class and a hazardous materials conference.

School drills for fire, tornado, and Intruders were conducted at South Oldham High, Camden Station Elementary, and Crestwood Elementary.

Major Nelson is working on a Safer Grant, while Captain Johnson is working on a grant to obtain Personal Protective Equipment from the State Fire Commission. Captain German has applied for a grant for thermal imaging cameras. Chief Blakely and Captain German are seeking funding for a Lucas Device through a grant from the Peyton Samuel Head Family Trust Grant.

A PTO seal was replaced on Unit 5438 and annual service was performed on the genesis rescue tools. Annual pump tests were performed on Units 5433, 5435, 5434, 5438, 5458, 5469 and they passed.

A church group came in and did some clean up, which was appreciated. The Department attended a Back to School event at Camden Station on September 9, 2023. There will be a South Oldham Fire Department Appreciation Day at the Maples Park on October 14, 2023.

The Department responded to two (2) incidents involving structure fires—one at 5600 Old LaGrange Road and another with North Oldham. There was also an auto fatality on Hwy. 329 @ Exit 14 involving a child. The incident was made more difficult because the family showed up on scene. There were two (2) chaplains available to help with that situation. Pewee Valley and Ballardsville have indicated they would also like to utilize those chaplains.

NEW BUSINESS:

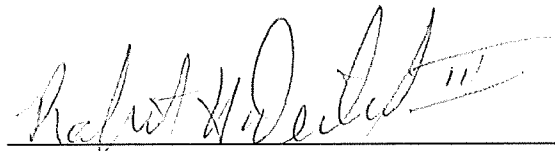
1. Dennis Deibel advised that the District Trustees set the 2023 tax rate at .10 cent per \$100. This is an increase from last year. A public meeting will be held tonight to give the public an opportunity to comment.
2. Dennis Deibel advised that he, Chief Blakely, Major Nelson, and Eddie Turner appeared in front of Oldham Fiscal Court to present the budget. Judge Voegele said he thought it might be the most detailed budget he had ever seen.

3. Mark Hoskins asked for an update about a possible merger with Pewee Valley. President Thompson advised that such a move would have to be mutual and no such request has been made by Pewee Valley at this time. Chairman Deibel and Pewee Valley's Chairman, Joe Burkhart, have had a few meetings over the past two (2) years. This option is always on the table, but no action would be taken unless the request was made by Pewee Valley.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

The next meeting will be held on October 23, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.



ROBERT DEIBEL III, SECRETARY

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES OCTOBER 23, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, October 23, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board Members present: Nelson, Beard, Wakefield, Robert Deibel, Turner, Patrick Stoess, Hoskins, Davis, Dennis Deibel, Gardner, Marvin Stoess, Johnson, and Thompson. Also present were Chief Blakely and Laura Stoess.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$ 872,515.03
Checking account	\$ 88,376.06
Money Market account	\$ 413,285.09
Auxiliary account	\$ 4,184.03
Chief's account	\$ 887.71
Total cash on hand	\$1,379,247.92

Major Nelson reported that the interest earned to date on the capital improvements and Money Market accounts is \$51,237.05. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Eddie Turner. Richard Beard seconded the motion. The motion carried. Major Nelson also reported that he has received verbal confirmation from the PNC representative that the interest rate on the capital improvement and money market accounts will be 4.5% until April 5, 2024.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 79 responses for September, 73 responses to date for October, and 945 responses year to date. Training for the month consisted of drivers training, rescue task force, and (2) Live Fire Trainings.

Firefighter Foust completed Traffic Incident Management training and Sgt. Norris participated in NFA Leadership Class Perspective in Thinking.

Upcoming Fire Schools / Training include Heavy Stabilization & Lift Class, Hazardous Materials Training/Conference, and Officers Leadership School.

School fire drills were conducted at Kenwood Station and Crestwood Elementary.

Unit 5458 was serviced to address a check engine light. The sensor was removed and cleaned and there were no other issues.

Kentucky Artisan is getting quotes to pressure wash the station. Fermentation at the distillery creates a smut on nearby surfaces and they are responsible for necessary cleaning.

The Department participated in a Walk-a-Thon at Camden Station Elementary School, the Spooktacular Halloween Festival at Wendell Moore Park, SOFD Appreciation Day at Maples Park, and Trunk or Treat at Crestwood Elementary. Visits were also made to pre-schools at Crestwood Baptist Church and Crestwood United Methodist Church.

Major Nelson is continuing to work on obtaining a Sam's number. Chief Blakely has some updates to the Employee Handbook he will discuss with the Personnel Committee. He also plans to review and update the 100 Series of SOPs.

The Department assisted North Oldham Fire on a boat fire during which a boat worker sustained burns. They also worked a structure fire on Delaware Drive with LaGrange & Ballardsville Fire Departments where there was a fatality.

OLD BUSINESS:

President Thompson followed up on last month's inquiry regarding a potential merger of South Oldham and Pewee Valley. He reported that Pewee Valley's biggest concern is the structure of the Inc. Board. Dennis Deibel commented that Pewee Valley would have to make the request before South Oldham would take any action. If requested, Thompson, Deibel, and Burkhart could meet to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chief Blakely distributed quotes for insurance from VFIS and ESIP for vehicles and property and offered a comparison to what we currently pay. Our insurance policy expires November 20, 2023. The difference in cost was \$23,000.00. ESIP quote appears to be better, but the Chief wants additional input from Board Members to ensure we are getting the best deal. North Oldham and Pewee Valley use ESIP, which is underwritten by Assured Partners. It was suggested that Chief consult with former Board Member David Lagen to review the policies. Board Member Patrick Stoess commented that he

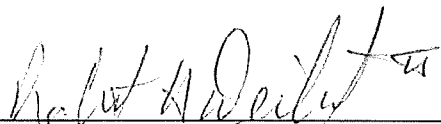
worked with Assured Partners and they are his preferred broker. Richard Beard made a motion to give Chief Blakely authority to choose between VFIS and ESIP and to obtain insurance for vehicles and property in an amount up to \$65,000 based on the best deal pending consultation with David Lagen to compare coverage. The motion was seconded by Mark Gardner. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Workers compensation insurance through KEMI increased by \$3,000.00. Chief Blakely talked to Assured Partners about workers' compensation insurance, but they could not beat the KEMI price. The budget allows for \$101,000.00 for this expense, so we are still under budget at \$91,300.00, which is the worst case scenario.
3. President Thompson reminded Board Members of dates and locations to vote in upcoming elections.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

The next meeting will be held on November 27, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.



ROBERT DEIBEL III, SECRETARY

SOUTH OLDHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
MINUTES NOVEMBER 27, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the South Oldham Fire Department, Inc. Board was held on Monday, November 27, 2023 at the Firehouse.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, David Thompson, at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board Members present: Patrick Stoess, Dennis Deibel, Rawert, Jones, Gardner, Beard, Wakefield, Davis, Thompson, Nelson, German, Johnson, Holder, Marvin Stoess, Robert Deibel, Marshall, Espisito, Miller, and Turner. Also present were Chief Blakely and Laura Stoess.

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY: The Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Matt Nelson. Major Nelson reported the following bank balances:

Capital Improvement account	\$ 842,216.45
Checking account	\$ 75,847.14
Money Market account	\$ 314,991.72
Auxiliary account	\$ 4,184.03
Chief's account	\$ 1,662.71
Total cash on hand	\$1,238,902.05

Major Nelson reported that the interest earned year-to-date on the capital improvements and Money Market accounts is \$56,308.09. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Eddie Turner. Mark Gardner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Major Nelson also reported that we have received our first tax check, which has been deposited into the Money Market account, bringing our total assets to \$3,214,525.23. Eddie Turner made a motion to authorize Major Nelson to transfer \$250,000 from the Money Market account into the capital improvements account. Motion was seconded by Richard Beard. The motion passed unanimously.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Blakely reported 92 responses for October, 80 responses to date for November, and 1046 responses year to date. Training for the month consisted of drivers training, ropes/knots rigging systems, hose, nozzles, and appliances, and practical evolutions training facility.

Upcoming Fire Schools / Training include Heavy Stabilization & Lift Class, Hazardous Materials Training/Conference, and Officers Leadership School. Sgt. Norris will participate in NIMS training in December.

Preventative maintenance was done on Unit 5434 and on Unit 5438. The tires on Unit 5438 need replacing.

Kentucky Artisan is expected to have a crew booked within the week to pressure wash the station.

The Department participated in the Light Up Event at the Maples Park.

The Department assisted North Oldham Fire Department with a structure fire on N. Buckeye Lane during which there was a firefighter death in the line of duty. Firefighter Petsche, a volunteer with Ballardsville, suffered a medical issue while fighting the fire that resulted in his death. Ballardsville Chief was out of town and asked Chief Blakely to go and be with the family. Chief sat with Colleen, his wife, and Megan, his daughter, at the hospital. The Department is looking to set up professional help for anyone who needs it.

The Department assisted LaGrange and Ballardsville with a structure fire on Commerce Parkway. The ATF is using our facility for the investigation.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Chief Blakely has met with the Personnel Committee and recommended some changes to the Employee Handbook. He distributed his proposed changes to the Board Members prior to the meeting and went over them during the meeting. Discussion was held regarding the firearms policy. Proposal was made to allow firefighters to carry a firearm for protection in accordance with state and federal law. Our insurance company was consulted and advised that there is insurance coverage for liability as long as laws are being followed. William Marshall made a motion to approve the changes as recommended by the Chief and Personnel Committee. Tim Wakefield seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Chief Blakely proposed updates on the 100 Series SOP as well as making the mandatory overtime policy an SOP. He distributed his proposed changes to the Board Members prior to the meeting and went over them during the meeting. Discussion was held concerning drug testing and firearms. Richard Beard made a motion to approve the

updates with the following changes: SOP 110 strike #32 page 3 of 3. Dennis Deibel seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. After last month's meeting, Chief Blakely met informally with former member, David Lagen. After meeting with Mr. Lagen, Chief Blakely made the decision to use Assured Partners for our insurance because it provided more coverage with a savings of \$18,000.
4. Accident and health insurance with Hartford is up in January of 2024. Chief is getting a quote from Assured Partners, but indications are that the Hartford quote will probably be better.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Department received a grant for \$15,000 for the purchase of a Lucas device; however, the cost of this item is \$20,000. The Executive Committee met and determined that it was appropriate to expend the additional \$5,000 for the purchase of this device. Mark Gardner made a motion to ratify the decision made by the Executive Committee for the expenditure of \$5,000 for the purchase of the Lucas device. The motion was seconded by Major Nelson. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Patrick Stoess made a motion to give authority to the Executive committee, which is made up of the Present, Secretary, and Treasurer, authority to meet and approve any necessary expenditures for \$10,000 or less that cannot wait until the next Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Eddie Turner. The motion carried unanimously.
3. The Department responded to a barn fire on property owned by Eleanor Bingham. Ms. Bingham was appreciative of the work done by the Department and made a \$1,000 donation as a thank you to the firefighters. These funds will be used to provide each firefighter with a \$75 gift card for Christmas.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.

The next meeting will be held on January 22, 2024, at 7:30 p.m.



ROBERT DEIBEL III, SECRETARY