



**MINUTES OF THE LEE COUNTY
FIRE ADVISORY BOARD**

AUGUST 15, 2006

The Lee County Fire Advisory Board met on August 15, 2006, in the Small Conference Room at the Lee County Government Center.

The following members were present:

- Donald Andrews, Jr.
- Roger King
- Bob Brown
- Doc Oldham
- Royce Gaines
- John Altenburger
- Larry Kelly
- Derrick Clouston

The following members were absent:

- David Smitherman, Ex officio member

Chairman Donald Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roger King made a motion for the correction of the May 24th minutes to be reflected in the current minutes. John Altenburger seconded the motion, with all in favor. The correction was to a previous motion made by John Altenburger to accept the budgets proposed by the fire departments. Roger King seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Chairman Andrews asked for a motion to make corrections to the July 19th minutes or to approve as presented. John Altenburger made a motion to approve the minutes as is, seconded by Larry Kelly, and they were unanimously approved.

Donald Andrews and Bob Brown apologized in advance for having to leave the meeting early due to other commitments.

Donald Andrews suggested starting a process of listing some pros/cons of the service tax, and if time permitting, developing a list of questions and the need for additional information. He informed that along with the FAB, a meeting with the Fire Chiefs has been scheduled for September 6th in the Gordon Wicker Room. Meeting with the Chiefs will provide feedback on what we need to add to our list that they have

concerns about. Bob Brown suggested that a time limit of 3-5 minutes be imposed on each speaker.

Derrick Clouston shared maps with the FAB representing the rated areas in the county, pointing out “unprotected” areas. Also the deployment of additional stations was shown on the map as well as the effect the additional stations would have on fire protection in the county.

Larry Kelly suggested that instead of compiling a list of pros and cons to the service tax, that goals and objectives should first be established to clarify what the FAB is trying to accomplish.

Donald Andrews excused himself from the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Bob Brown left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

The four goals that have been established thus far are:

1. Majority of Lee County in 5-mile district
2. Each department lower their ratings with a target of a district-wide 6 rating
3. Develop minimum standards, equipment, paid staffing
4. Develop county-wide fire service strategic and capital plan

It was decided to continue with the list of goals/objectives at the next meeting.

Roger King announced that the next meeting will be August 30, 5:30 p.m. in the Small Conference Room.

Therefore, being no further business to come before the board, Doc Oldham made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by John Altenburger. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.