Minutes
First Response Tornado Fund (The Fund)
City of Joplin
April 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chair Stinnett at 10:32 a.m.

Members in attendance were Phil Stinnett, Ron Darby, Fred Mason, Paul Teverow and Gary Duncan.

Chair Stinnett opened the meeting by asking Leslie Haase, Finance Director, to provide the board members with an overview of the funds received, expenditures and the current balance in the fund. Leslie stated that as of March 31, 2015, $972,470.44 which had earned $25,731.50 interest to make the total funds received $998,201.94. As a result of Grant Cycles I, II,and III a total of $943,459.79 had been awarded to local agencies and organizations to assist the residents and community in the recovery efforts following the May 2011 tornado, which leaves $54,742.15 remaining in the Fund. Leslie went onto to say that the City had expenses of $15,451.36 to be reimbursed from this fund. These expenses for the cost of memorial wristbands, advertising and notification for grant cycles, etc. Following this reimbursement the fund would have a balance as of March 31, 2015 of $39,290.79. (copy of detailed summary attached)

Chair Stinnett asked if there were any questions by the Board members and then praised Leslie for the excellent job she had done on documenting the funds allocated to local agencies/organizations and verifying that the expenses incurred by these agencies/organizations complied with the guidelines outlined in the by-laws of the First Response Tornado Fund Board.

At this time discussion moved to the question of what and where the remaining funds should be distributed. In a way of not showing favoritism to a local agency/organization Leslie was asked how much the City would not be reimbursed for recovery expenses. She stated at this time, the City has approximately $610,000 of expenses that will not be reimbursable through FEMA. An example of some of these expenses is the hiring of a Temporary Plan Reviewer, days following the tornado this position was needed to assist the current staff in issuing building permits. Also, the expense of moving storm shelters to the fire stations. Paul Teverow stated he did not disagree with allocating the remaining funds to the City as it would seem to honor the wishes of donors and the mission given by the City Council. He asked if the funds could be designated as to where they would be used by the City in order to better track the distribution of funds. Leslie stated that moving the storm shelters for the fire stations exceeded the $39,290.79 remaining balance and could be applied to this expenses and be well documented.

Chair Stinnett stated there were a couple of decisions to be made and that a motion from the Board would be necessary on each. Motion by Ron Darby that the City be reimbursed for their expenses incurred of $15,451.36. Motion seconded by Fred Mason. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Next item was the allocation of the Fund Balance of $39,290.79. Motion by Paul Teverow that we reimburse the City for the expense of moving shelters or other expenses related to the tornado recovery

or other public safety expenses in that amount not to exceed the First Response Fund Balance. Motion seconded by Gary Duncan. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chair Stinnett asked if there were any further comments or questions. Ron Darby stated he felt the Board had done an excellent job in distributing the funds where best needed and praised the leadership of Chair Phil Stinnett. Motion by Paul Teverow and seconded by Gary Duncan to thank Mr. Stinnett for his great leadership serving as Chair of the committee.

At this time, Chair Stinnett stated he would like a motion from the Board recommending that a report be presented to the City Council at their regular meeting on May 18th outlining the work the Board has completed based on the mission directive of the City Council and that the Board be officially dissolved. Motion by Ron Darby and seconded by Fred Mason. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Gary Duncan made a motion that the meeting be adjourned and motion seconded by Ron Darby. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58.

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Phil Stinnett, Chairperson

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Gary Duncan, Vice Chairperson

(Due to this being the last official board meeting of the First Response Tornado Fund Board, the minutes were unanimously approved via email)