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APPROVAL, FINAL RESOLUTIONS ON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN BELLEFONTAINE, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 15, 1929.

HON. ROBERT N. WAID, Director of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

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FIREMEN'S INDEMNITY FUND—DECEASED FIREMAN'S PARENTS NOT ENTITLED TO COMPENSATION.

SYLLABUS:

Payments from the firemen's indemnity fund authorized by Sections 4647-1 to 4647-9, inclusive, of the General Code, are to be made only to the widow and dependent children of a fireman killed in the line of duty, and accordingly, payments from such fund are not authorized to the parents of such deceased fireman.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 15, 1929.

Bureau of Inspection and Supervision of Public Offices, Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen:—Acknowledgment is made of your recent communication, which reads:

"Section 4647-8, G. C., provides for the amount of compensation to be paid dependents of members of a fire department.

Question: May payments be made out of the indemnity fund to the parents of a member of a volunteer village fire department who was killed in the performance of duty and who had no other dependents?"

Section 4647-8 of the General Code, to which you refer and which relates to payments to be made from the firemen's indemnity fund, provides:

"The beneficiaries of any such firemen's indemnity fund shall be members of the fire department or their dependents who shall be entitled to be paid the amounts following:

For the total disability of a fireman, sustained while in the discharge of his duties as fireman, the sum of two-thirds of his salary or average earnings, which shall in no case exceed eighteen (\$18.00) dollars per week, and which shall be fixed and determined by the said board of firemen's indemnity fund. For partial disability such an amount per week as shall be fixed by the board of firemen's indemnity fund which in no case shall exceed ten (\$10.00) dollars per week. Provided, however, that no such pension shall be paid to a fireman under full salary during the time of any such disability.

To the widow of any fireman killed while in the discharge of his duties as fireman, or who dies from exposure or injury received while in the discharge of such duty, a sum not to exceed twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars per