COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Fire and Emergency Services	Presenter(s):	Fire Chief David J. Scarbrough
Meeting Date:	Thursday, March 27, 2014	Type of Request:	Presentation/Recognition

Wording for the Agenda:

Recognition of Mr. Brad Boemanns as the 2014 Fayette County Firefighter of the Year.

Background/History/Details:

Firefighter Brad Boemanns joined the Fire Department in 2008. He is described as a hard worker and very dedicated to the department. Brad has always displayed many heroic qualities, such as humility, respect, and kindness. In 2010, while bravely trying to save a Fayette County home that was engulfed in fire, he was seriously injured in the line of duty, suffering severe burns to his back, neck, and ears. He underwent several very painful skin grafts, some of which did not take, and even suffered a pulmonary embolism as well as the obvious emotional turmoil that results from such a traumatic experience. Despite all of this, Brad stuck to his rehabilitation schedule and worked hard all in an effort to return to work. Throughout this entire experience, Brad has maintained a positive outlook, and this year he returned to work where he continues to display the same heroic qualities he demonstrated when he first started working here.

Brad was assigned to Headquarters during his light duty stint and quickly became an asset to logistics during a transitional period. He is highly regarded by Headquarters staff and online personnel.

On his selection as Firefighter of the Year, Battalion Chief Woods stated that "Brad is another example of a Fayette County Firefighter that has persevered through many obstacles and a life threatening injury to return to work and serve his community".

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

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If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	No	If so, when?	
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?*	No	Backup Provided with Request?	No

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Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval			

Staff Notes:

The Firefighter of the Year is based on a Fiscal Year basis (July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014).