

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING & REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FORT MYERS BEACH BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TIME: 9:00 AM
DATE: February 21, 2017
PLACE: 3043 Estero Boulevard, Station 31 – Training Room
Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931

IN ATTENDANCE: Chairwoman Morris, Vice-Chairman Schindler, Sec./Treasurer Raymond, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Wood, Fire Chief Matthew Love, District members and members of the public.

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adoption of Agenda

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Chief Love requested to remove 13B “Residential Knox Box Memorandum of Understanding” from “old business”. Vice-Chairman Schindler made a motion to adopt the amended agenda. Commissioner Fleming seconded.
Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

4. February 7, 2017 Work Session and Meeting Minutes [Discussion/Approval]

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the February 7, 2017 meeting minutes. Commissioner Fleming made a motion to approve the February 7, 2017 meeting minutes. Vice-Chairman Schindler seconded.
Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

5. Treasurer’s Report

Chairwoman Morris requested Sec./Treasurer Raymond to read the Treasurer’s report for January 2017.

Sec./Treasurer Raymond reviewed the summary of bank and investment account activities for month ending January 31, 2017.

- A. January 31, 2017 Department Checks #42640 through #42738 for a total of \$288,295.38. [Discussion/Approval]

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the January 2017 Treasurer’s report. Vice-Chairman Schindler made a motion to approve the department checks for January 2017. Commissioner Wood seconded.
Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

6. Chiefs Report [Information]

Chief Love highlighted items on the Chief’s report, as well as:

- Lieutenant examination process.
- Board of County Commissioners Meeting to renew our COPCN.
- Advertising for the File of Life program.

- Commissioner Fleming stated that we should look into offering a smoke detector service.

7. Attorney Report [Information]

None

8. Restate Agenda Items [Information]

9. Public Input – Agenda Items Only

None

10. Old Business

A. Fire Chief Annual Evaluation Process [Discussion/Approval]

The Board went over each category and scored the Fire Chief on a one to five (1-5) basis. The following comments were captured due to the Fire Chief receiving a score of five (5):

Category Five (5) - Leadership:

- Vice-Chairman Schindler stated that he gave Chief Love a five (5) and made the following statement: “He’s not only a very good leader, which we needed wholeheartedly, he inspires others to lead, which to me brings you to the forefront of good leadership. When you can get other people to follow, and not only follow, but lead their subgroups if you will, and so he’s a five (5).”
- Commissioner Wood scored Chief Love a five (5) and made the following statement: “I think we did an outstanding job at choosing a great leader when we did the DACUM process and since then he has created a District Advisory group that included all members, all the stakeholders basically, meets regularly to present topics to his Firefighters, to us, to community, and then his showing good leadership, he’s also included for example, Randy and Ron in bringing their message to us so instead of just him continually presenting he’s involving all of us in presenting. I think he’s just done a wonderful job of showing the leadership we needed so I rated him a five (5).”

Category Seven (7) – Relationship with Board:

- Commissioner Wood scored Chief Love a five (5) and made the following statement: “I don’t know of course his relationship with all the Board members since I’m not privy to those things, but in my opinion he’s continued to exceed my expectations in all areas of the evaluation so I rated him a five (5).”

Category Nine (9) – Job and Industry Knowledge:

- Commissioner Wood scored Chief Love a five (5) and made the following statement: “He keeps current with developments, techniques and policies. He has had to use his data analysis techniques to identify needs and then problem solve. He does a wonderful job with the data analysis portion. He has attended countless courses and seminars to keep current and some of those were required of course because he is coming from another state

and so even though he may not have all of the knowledge yet, it's not because he isn't working towards that. He develops and promotes leadership within the District membership and works with fire personnel from surrounding districts and I think he's even made some presentations to some of those groups already so I'm very impressed and I gave him a five (5)."

Category Ten (10) – Disaster and Emergency Planning and Management:

- Vice-Chairman Schindler scored Chief Love a five (5) and made the following statement: "Those of you that were here for Charlie and Wilma would probably realize that sometimes the day of the hurricane was the first time some of the non-beach units met, a heck of a time to meet and find out you don't have the right radios, you don't even know who's in charge of this other group. He has gone out of his way on hurricane planning to meet with these different organizations some fire some not. We won't be shaking hands for the first time in the event of another hurricane. I think people will be working together so that's a five (5) and my explanation."

The Board made additional comments regarding the evaluation and discussed Chief Love's goals and objectives.

- B. Residential Knox Box Memorandum of Understanding [Discussion/Approval]
(Removed from Agenda)

11. New Business

- A. Surplus of Capital Assets [Discussion/Approval]

Chief Love explained the trade-ins and other items on the capital asset surplus list. Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to surplus capital assets as provided on the surplus list 2017-01 and to dispose of assets as recommended by staff and in accordance with all the laws and rules of the State of Florida. Commissioner Wood made the motion. Commissioner Fleming seconded.
Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

12. Reports from Union Representatives Districts 3 and 15

None

13. Remarks of Commissioners

Sec./Treasurer Raymond stated that he thinks Chief Love has done a great job and he is very happy with his first year and that he really believes we will do even better next year.

Vice-Chairman Schindler discussed his time as a Commissioner and stated that he always thinks about not running again, but he believes that the Board has gotten the Fire Department in the right direction and this man (Chief Love) is a big part of that so well done.

14. Public Input

None

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.