

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
FORT MYERS BEACH BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
TIME: 6:00 PM  
DATE: April 18, 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. Commissioner Fleming made a motion to adopt the agenda. Sec./Treasurer Raymond seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

**4. Presentation to Beach Kids Foundation**

Firefighter Robert Ponte presented a check to the Beach Kids Foundation from the money raised selling calendars.

**5. March 28, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes [Discussion/Approval]**

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the March 28, 2017 meeting minutes. Sec./Treasurer Raymond made a motion to approve the March 28, 2017 meeting minutes. Vice-Chairman Schindler seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Chairwoman Morris requested Sec./Treasurer Raymond to read the Treasurer's report for March 2017.

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

- A. March 31, 2017 Department Checks #42831 through #42902 for a total of \$308,606.73. [Discussion/Approval]

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

**7. Chiefs Report [Information]**

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

- Update on the Assistant Fire Chief process

- Assessing data for monthly company incidents
- Re-Evaluating various vendors, to include bay doors
- Congratulations to Cody Chilson for his promotion to Lieutenant
- Swearing-in and promotion ceremony planned for the next Regular Board Meeting
- Four new hires start Monday

#### **8. Attorney Report [Information]**

Chairwoman Morris stated that Darren White has filed an amended complaint and that he is requesting more depositions.

#### **9. Restate Agenda Items [Information]**

#### **10. Public Input – Agenda Items Only**

None

#### **11. Old Business**

##### **A. Fire Chief Appraisal Form Revision [Discussion/Approval]**

The Board discussed categories on the appraisal form. Commissioner Wood recommended moving this topic to a work session meeting and the Board agreed.

##### **B. Board of Commissioners Policy Manual [Discussion/Information]**

The Board discussed revisions to the policy manual and agreed to continue discussions in a work session meeting.

##### **C. Updated Job Descriptions [Discussion/Approval]**

Chairwoman Morris recommended cleaning up the “job duties” in the job description. Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve the job description for the position of Executive Assistant Fire Chief of Life Safety and Support Services. Vice-Chairman Schindler seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

#### **12. New Business**

##### **A. Engine Specifications**

The Board and Fire Chief Love discussed the Executive Summary and bids. Commissioner Wood recommended that the Board approve the purchase and assess the financing. Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve the bid proposal for the purchase of one (1) Sutphen Monarch Rescue Pumper as identified in the proposal at a purchase price of \$534,866.11 and to grant the Fire Chief authority to complete the transaction and if needed, negotiate unforeseen items, up to 5% of the original quote, and to further allow for the prepayment of the apparatus using reserve funds with the intent to reimburse reserves with future debt. Chairwoman Morris added “and to attempt to negotiate for a lower price” to the motion. Vice-Chairman Schindler seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

Chairwoman Morris read the summary of resolution 2017-01 into the record. The Foregoing Resolution Was Offered By Commissioner Wood Who Moved The

Resolution's Adoption. The Motion Was Seconded By Commissioner Schindler And, Upon Being Put To A Vote, The Vote Was As Follows:

Commissioner Carol Morris	Aye
Commissioner Theodore Schindler II	Aye
Commissioner Bob Raymond	Aye
Commissioner Ron Fleming	Aye
Commissioner Larry Wood	Aye

Discussion continued between the Board and the District regarding the wording of the Resolution.

### **13. Reports from Union Representatives Districts 3 and 15**

Vice President of Local 1826 Troy Mesick gave an update on the MDA Boot Drive and negotiations.

### **14. Remarks of Commissioners**

Commissioner Fleming congratulated Firefighters on the MDA Boot Drive and the Red Coconut for their Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Commissioner Wood thanked Battalion Chief Grow and the group that put the bids together for the engine purchase.

Sec./Treasurer Raymond discussed the upcoming budget and how items may affect it.

The Board thanked our members for their hard work.

Vice-Chairman Schindler stated that he likes the format of the bids.

Chairwoman Morris stated that she is pleased with our Fire Chief.

### **15. Public Input**

None

### **16. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.