

MINUTES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF
FORT MYERS BEACH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TIME: 6:00 PM
DATE: March 20, 2018
PLACE: 2525 Estero Boulevard – Town Hall
Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931

IN ATTENDANCE: Chairwoman Morris, Vice-Chairman Schindler, Secretary/Treasurer Raymond, Commissioner Wood, Commissioner Fleming, Fire Chief 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 approve the agenda. Commissioner Fleming made a motion to approve the agenda. Vice-Chairman Schindler seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

4. February 20, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes [Discussion/Approval]

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the February 20, 2018 meeting minutes. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond made a motion to approve the February 20, 2018 meeting minutes. Vice-Chairman Schindler seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

5. Treasurer's Report

Chairwoman Morris requested Secretary/Treasurer Raymond to read the Treasurer's report for February 2018.

Secretary/Treasurer Raymond reviewed the summary of bank and investment account activities for the months ending in February.

A. February 28, 2018 Department Checks #43717 through #43805 for a total of \$237,337.02 [Discussion/Approval]

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the February 2018 Treasurer's report. Vice-Chairman Schindler made a motion to approve the department checks for February 2018. Commissioner Wood seconded. Commissioner Fleming asked for more information regarding one of the vendors as well as the revenue variances on the financial report. The Board continued to discuss the data on the financial report and agreed to add this topic to a work session meeting. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

6. Chiefs Report [Information]

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

- Election Packets

- Center for Public Safety Excellence Classes
- Bed Tax Update – The Board would like to add Infrastructure to the next work session for discussion.
- The Board and Chief Love discussed the response by unit data provided in the Chief’s report as well as what data they would like to see in future reports.

7. Attorney Report [Information]

Chairwoman Morris gave an update on the Darren White case and requested that Commissioners send any vacation time they have planned after August 19, 2018 for scheduling purposes.

8. Restate Agenda Items

9. Public Input on Agenda Items

No input was provided

10. Operations Brach Presentation

Executive Assistant Fire Chief of Operation, Scott Wirth, presented information to the Board and community about the District’s structure fire response operations to include staffing levels and resource deployment, as well as essential tasks and how those are assessed.

11. Old Business

No Items

12. New Business

A. Strategic Performance Goals [Information/Discussion]

Chief Love reviewed his strategic performance goals for the next evaluation period. Chairwoman Morris requested that Procurement Review be added under the Financial Management section. Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve Chief Love’s strategic performance goals with the addition suggested by Chairwoman Morris. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

B. Fire Chief Agreement Update [Discussion/Approval]

Chief Love acknowledged that the contract is beginning year three and identifies the need for the Board and Fire Chief to discuss the options for writing a new contract. The Board discussed writing a new contract and agreed that they would like it to be a five (5) year contract. Chief Love will work on updating some of the verbiage and send it to the Board for review. Commissioner Fleming made a motion to enter into the process with the Fire Chief to create a new Fire Chief Employment Agreement. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

C. Life Safety Services, Code Enforcement, & Plans Review Alteration [Information/Discussion]

Chief Love discussed the upcoming changes with the Town of Fort Myers Beach in regards to their short-term rental ordinance, the hydrant program, and plans review. The Board agreed that they would like Chief Love to look at options, review internal workload and costs for providing these services in-house, and fees for the services provided to the end user.

D. Long-Term Facility Planning [Information/Discussion]

The Board and Chief Love discussed the long-term facility plan specifically for Fire Station 31 due to the recent study of the facility. The Board and Chief Love discussed different options, and the Board agreed that Chief Love should bring someone in to look for commercial land options. This topic will be added to the April Work Session Meeting.

13. Reports from Union Representatives Districts 3 and 15

No reports were provided.

14. Fire Chief Remarks [Information/Discussion]

No Remarks

15. Remarks of Commissioners

Commissioner Fleming stated that the department did a great job on the recent fire and thanked the department for their service. Commissioner Fleming wished all Firefighters and First Responders a slow, safe night.

Secretary/Treasurer Raymond stated that the department did a great job on the fire and that he was impressed by the work put into the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) boot drive.

Commissioner Wood stated that the department did a great job on the fire and thanked the department for their service. Commissioner Wood stated that he appreciated Chief Wirth's presentation and that it shows why training is necessary.

Vice-Chairman Schindler agreed with the other Commissioners comments. Vice-Chairman Schindler discussed the opportunity for bad press during situations like this. Vice-Chairman Schindler stated that people complain about the cost of service we provide, but we are very blessed to have it.

Chairwoman Morris stated that she is proud of our fire department and that she looks forward to working on the new contract with Chief Love.

16. Public Input

No input was provided.

17. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.