

MINUTES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
FORT MYERS BEACH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TIME: 6:00 PM
DATE: August 21, 2018
PLACE: 2525 Estero Boulevard – Town Hall
Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931

IN ATTENDANCE: Chairwoman Morris, Secretary/Treasurer Raymond, Commissioner Wood, Commissioner Fleming, Fire Chief Love, District members and members of the public.

Absent: Vice-Chairman Schindler

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. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond seconded. The motion was approved unanimously 4 – 0.

4. August 7, 2018 Work Session & Meeting Minutes [Discussion/Approval]

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the August 7, 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve the August 7, 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Fleming seconded. Motion approved unanimously 4 – 0.

5. Treasurer's Report

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

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

- A. July 31, 2018 Department Checks #44151 through #44221 for a total of \$160,358.13. [Discussion/Approval]

Chairwoman Morris called for a motion to approve the July 2018 Treasurer's report. Commissioner Fleming made a motion to approve the department checks for July 2018. Commissioner Wood seconded. Motion approved unanimously 4 – 0.

6. Chief's Report [Information]

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

- Meeting with the new Principal of Beach Elementary
- Update on Secretary/Treasurer Raymond's comments from previous meeting regarding Fire Station 31
- Upcoming FASD Meeting
- Thank you email from community

7. Attorney Report [Information]

Chairwoman Morris stated that the Darren White trial could be getting closer and stated that the Board needs to discuss the possibility of upcoming legal fees. The Board agreed to discuss this in the budget updates discussion.

8. Restate Agenda Items

9. Public Input on Agenda Items

No public input was provided

10. Old Business

A. Infrastructure Planning/Funding [Information/Discussion]

Chief Love provided a timeline to the Board and discussed the importance of the dates in order to receive the best rate for upcoming apparatus replacement loans. Commissioner Fleming stated that he would like to look at the Board policy manual regarding remote attendance for meetings especially meetings that are of a significant topic. The Board agreed that this topic should be put on a future work session meeting agenda.

B. Fire Chief Evaluation Dates Agreement Addendum [Discussion/Approval]

Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve the attached Addendum to Fire Chief Employment Agreement as written to be effective immediately. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 4 – 0.

C. Board Policy Manual Updates [Discussion/Approval]

Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve the changes as proposed to the Board Policy Manual effective immediately. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond seconded.

Motion not approved as it required a super-majority vote and the vote was 3 – 1.

(Commissioner Fleming dissenting)

The Board discussed the verbiage regarding a super majority vote. After discussion, Commissioner Fleming updated his vote to yes for the betterment of the department.

Motion approved 4 – 0.

Chairwoman Morris asked what the consequences were if Commissioners did not follow the Board Policy Manual. The Board agreed to add this topic to a future work session meeting for discussion.

D. 2018/2019 Budget Updates [Information/Discussion]

Chief Love provided a review of budget items that were removed or updated to bring the Truth in Millage Rate (TRIM) down. The Board discussed the possibility of upcoming legal fees and the plan for covering those costs. The Board discussed the updated budget and collectively agreed to move the presented budget forward as the District's Proposed Budget at the upcoming Preliminary Budget Hearing and post the budget to the District's website.

11. New Business

A. Surplus Capital Assets [Discussion/Approval]

Commissioner Wood made a motion to surplus assets as provided on Surplus List #2018-02 and to dispose of assets as recommended by staff and in accordance with all the laws and rules of the State of Florida. Commissioner Fleming seconded. Motion approved unanimously 4 – 0.

Commissioner Fleming stated that he would like to see us donate equipment that is not obsolete to other entities in need.

B. Personal Protective Equipment Lease Program [Discussion/Approval]

Chief Love provided a review of the Personal Protective Equipment Lease program and explained that the purpose of the plan is to provide two (2) sets of gear to each employee. Chief Love stated that this program has been reviewed and approved by legal counsel.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to approve the Master Lease Purchase Agreement with Tax-Exempt Leasing Corporation for \$96,000 for the lease of personal protection equipment and to adopt the Lessee Resolution identified as Exhibit E in the Master Lease documents, providing Chief Love with the authority to finalize the lease agreement once the District's legal counsel has reviewed and approved the lease document. Commissioner Fleming seconded. Motion approved unanimously 4 – 0.

12. Reports from Union Representatives Districts 3 and 15 [Information]

No Reports Provided

13. Fire Chief Remarks[Information/Discussion]

No Additional Remarks Provided

14. Commissioner Remarks

Commissioner Wood thanked Commissioner Fleming for his efforts with the Clean Water Initiative.

Commissioner Fleming read the letters received from Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Department and Bonita Springs Fire Department supporting the Clean Water efforts.

Chairwoman Morris discussed the natural phenomenon with the water issues.

Secretary/Treasurer Raymond and Chairwoman Morris agreed with other Commissioner's comments.

15. Public Input

No public input was provided

16. Adjournment

7:03 pm