

MINUTES
WORK SESSION & MEETING OF THE
FORT MYERS BEACH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TIME: 9:30 AM
DATE: March 13, 2019
PLACE: 2755 Estero Boulevard – Public Library
Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931

IN ATTENDANCE: Chairman Wood, Vice-Chairman Fleming, Secretary/Treasurer Raymond, Commissioner Lyszak, Commissioner Bennett, Fire Chief Love, District members and members of the public.

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Add-In

Chairman Wood discussed changing the order of the agenda. The Board agreed to switch item three (3): Restate Agenda Items, with item four (4): Adoption of the Agenda.

3. Adoption of the Agenda [Discussion/Approval]

The Board agreed to switch item (A): Board Policy Manual Updates, with item (C): Proposed Sanction Rescinding under New Business. Chairman Wood called for a motion to adopt the amended agenda. Commissioner Lyszak made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Vice-Chairman Fleming seconded.

The motion was approved unanimously 5 – 0.

4. Restate Agenda Items [Information]

5. Public Input on Agenda Items

No public input was provided

6. Consent Agenda [Approval]

Items listed are considered routine and action will be taken by one motion; if a Commissioner desires discussion, the specific item will be removed and considered separately.

A. February 27, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Chairman Wood called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice-Chairman Fleming made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Raymond seconded.

The motion was approved unanimously 5 – 0.

7. Unfinished Business

A. Facility Planning [Information/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Love stated that the District continues to work with a Broker on property options.

8. New Business

A. Proposed Sanction Rescinding [Discussion/Approval]

Vice-Chairman Fleming gave an explanation and provided the history of the sanction. Vice-Chairman Fleming requested that the Board rescind the sanction brought against him in November 2018. The Board discussed the sanction and the validity of the sanction. Chairman Wood made a motion to rescind the sanction against Commissioner Ron Fleming. Commissioner Lyszak seconded. The motion was approved unanimously 4 – 0. (The Board agreed to not have Vice-Chairman Fleming vote on this item)

B. Term Limits [Discussion]

The Board discussed the advantages and disadvantages of term limits. The Board requested that staff provide information on other department's term limits and a history of our previous Commissioners terms. The Board also discussed offering a survey to our community, as well as the cost for a referendum.

C. Board Policy Manual Updates [Discussion]

Chief Love discussed some items covered in the Board Retreat. The Board and Chief Love discussed and agreed to update the Violation Section by adding the Super Majority and other verbiage. This will be presented at the following meeting. The Board agreed that they would like to review the entire Board of Commissioners Handbook in future meetings, section by section.

Add-In: Vice-Chairman Fleming requested an update on the Short Term Ordinance program for the next Work Session & Meeting.

9. Fire Chief Remarks[Information/Discussion]

Chief Love stated that he spoke with the Local 1826 Union representatives and they agreed to have the "Reports from Union Representatives Districts 3 and 15" removed from the agenda. Local 1826 will contact the Fire Chief if they would like to report anything and it will be added to the agenda. Chief Love reminded the Board of the FASD Conference in June and requested that they identify to staff if they would like to attend by the end of the week.

10. Public Input

No public input was provided

11. Commissioners Remarks

Vice-Chairman Fleming thanked the Board for rescinding the sanction against him. Vice-Chairman Fleming wished all First Responders and eventful, but safe shift.

Commissioner Bennett stated that he enjoyed walking in the parade and hearing all of the nice comments from the community regarding our department. Commissioner Bennett congratulated Chief Love on his recent award. Commissioner Bennett congratulated Firefighter Joel Martinez for winning the shrimp-eating contest. Commissioner Bennett stated that he is proud to be a part of this organization.

Commissioner Lyszak thanked Chief Love for everything he did for the Shrimp Festival event. Commissioner Lyszak also thanked the staff who participated in the event. Commissioner Lyszak congratulated Chief Love on his recent award. Commissioner Lyszak reported that the fundraiser they held at the Sea Gypsy brought in \$2,500 to give to the Harry Chapin Food Bank for their assistance this past year. Commissioner Lyszak stated that she is looking forward to the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Chairman Wood stated that he is so proud of Chief Love's recent award.

12. Adjournment

10:15 am