

MINUTES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
FORT MYERS BEACH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TIME: 6:00 PM
DATE: October 28, 2020
Fort Myers Beach Town Hall

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

1 Meeting Called to Order

2 Pledge of Allegiance

3 Adoption of the Agenda [Discussion/Approval]

Chairman Wood made a request to table the October 14, 2020 meeting minutes due to an error. Chairman Wood called for a motion to adopt the amended agenda. Vice-Chairman Fleming made a motion to adopt the amended agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0

4 Restate Agenda Items [Information]

5 Public Input on Non-Agenda Items [Information]

No public input was provided

6 Consent Agenda Items [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 during the Adoption of the Agenda, and considered separately.

A. October 14, 2020 Work Session & Meeting Minutes – *Tabled*

B. September 30, 2020 Department Checks #45308 - #45407 for a total of \$369,792.02

Chairman Wood called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Lyszak made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Knickle seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0

7 Fire Chiefs Report [Information]

A short video was played in recognition of National First Responders Day.

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

- Thank you notes from a community member, Bonita Springs Fire Department, and North Fort Myers Fire Department.

8 Unfinished Business

A. 2021 Board of Fire Commissioner Meeting Dates, Times, & Locations

[Introduction/Discussion/Public Input/Approval]

Chairman Wood introduced the topic and stated that this information had been reviewed and discussed in a previous meeting. There was a short discussion regarding the meeting recordings if meetings take place at the public library. Chairman Wood called for public comment. No public comment was provided. Chairman Wood called for a motion. Commissioner Lyszak made a motion to approve the 2021 Board of Fire Commissioner meeting dates, times, and locations. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

B. Schedule of Fees [Introduction/Discussion/Public Input/Approval]

Chief Love discussed the final updates to the Schedule of Fees. Chairman Wood called for public comment. No public comment was provided. Chairman Wood called for a motion. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett made a motion to approve the Schedule of Fees. Vice-Chairman Fleming seconded. Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

C. Ordinance 2016-01 Updates [Introduction/Discussion/Public Input/Approval]

Chief Love discussed the final updates to Ordinance 2016-01 and stated that if the Board approves the document it will move on through the public hearing process. Chairman Wood called for public comment. No public comment was provided. Chairman Wood called for a motion. Commissioner Knickle made a motion to approve the updates to Ordinance 2016-01. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett seconded. Commissioner Lyszak stated that she needed to abstain from voting due to her being a short-term rental owner. (Commissioner Lyszak filed form 8B Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County, Municipal, and Other Local Public Officers) Motion approved unanimously 4 – 0.

9 New Business

A. Facility Project Segments [Introduction/Presentation/Discussion]

Chief Love introduced Executive Assistant Fire Chief Ron Martin and stated that he will be presenting this topic. Chief Love thanked staff for their hard work on creating this project timeline. Executive Assistant Fire Chief Martin presented the timeline in detailed segments. Executive Assistant Fire Chief Martin introduced Assistant Chief Scott Wirth to present his experience. Assistant Chief Wirth discussed his involvement and experience with the construction of the City of Fort Myers fire station. A Fort Myers Beach resident provided comments regarding the process and suggested visiting other fire departments that have recently built a new station. Assistant Chief Wirth stated that we have visited other stations. The Board thanked the staff for providing this information and stated their excitement in moving forward.

10. Report from IAFF Union Representative District 3 and/or 15 [Information]

Local 1826, District 15 Vice President (DVP) Lamb recognized Local 1826's field representative who was in attendance. DVP Lamb welcomed the new Administrative Assistant Angela Vallarta. DVP Lamb reported that District 3 negotiations continue on Friday. DVP Lamb recognized members for their years of service and highlighted Battalion Chief Grow for his 30 years of service. DVP Lamb stated that he is excited to

move forward with the new station. DVP Lamb reported that an arbitration meeting took place this week and that the findings should be delivered by the first of the year.

11. Fire Chief Remarks [Information/Discussion]

Chief Love discussed the following items:

- Thanked the Board for allowing us to have the Ceremony for our members.
- Wished everyone a Happy First Responders Day

12. Commissioner Remarks [Information]

Vice-Chairman Fleming congratulated our members for their recognitions and swearing-in. Vice-Chairman Fleming thanked the Life Safety Division for their work on inspections. Vice-Chairman Fleming welcomed our new Administrative Assistant Angela to the team. Vice-Chairman Fleming thanked Executive Assistant Fire Chief Martin and Assistant Chief Wirth for their presentation.

Commissioner Liszak welcomed Angela to the team also. Commissioner Liszak congratulated members for their promotions and recognitions. Commissioner Liszak wished everyone a Happy First Responders Day. Commissioner Liszak congratulated Chief Love on receiving his recent award from the Florida Association of Special Districts (FASD).

Secretary/Treasurer Bennett echoed other Commissioner comments. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett congratulated Chief Love on his recent award from FASD and stated that he was happy he was able to attend the event. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett stated that he is excited to be moving forward with the new building.

Commissioner Knickle echoed other Commissioner comments. Commissioner Knickle congratulated Chief Love and the department for his recent award from FASD. Commissioner Knickle stated that he is impressed with the designations our members are able to receive. Commissioner Knickle welcomed Angela to the team.

Chairman Wood thanked Commissioner Knickle for filling in on the Board and wished him luck in the upcoming election. Chairman Wood stated that he enjoyed the First Responders video. Chairman Wood stated that our department's national recognition continues to grow and he is proud to be a part of it.

13. Adjournment

6:54 pm