

# Bonita Springs Fire Control & Rescue District Board Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2011

## ***Fire Commissioners***

Chairman Steve Lohan  
Vice-Chairman Evans Conforti  
Commissioner Frank Liles

Attended via telephone  
Sec / Treasurer Wayne Edsall

## ***Administrative Staff***

Chief Phil Kinsey  
Finance Director Anthony Gambino  
Fire Marshal Tim Fernandez  
Deputy Chief Frank Giuliano  
Deputy Chief Joe Daigle  
Administrative Director Iris Roman

Absent: Edward FitzGerald

Chairman Lohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Chaplain Chitwood thanked the firefighters for their quick response to a fire at his home. He also led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

The consensus of the Board was to change the December meeting date to December 5, 2011 to accommodate the District's annual toy drive.

## ***PRESENTATIONS***

The following employees were recognized for their annual service to the District:

Jason Brod – 10 years	Mark Simon – 10 years
Wayne Day – 10 years	Marc Weiss – 10 years
Jim Lamb – 10 years	Bill Clemens – 5 years
Eric Madden – 10 years	

Chief Kinsey recognized members of A Shift with Phoenix Awards for the quick and positive action they rendered to Juvert Calero (also A shift) while he was on-duty. The following employees were recognized (if present) with Phoenix Awards

Eric Madden	Keith VanGelder
Terry Bonnell	Jeff Rowley
Tony Valentino	Bruce Sheffield

Additionally, Lt. Eric Madden and FF Terry Bonnell were recognized with Phoenix Awards for their participation in a successful resuscitation of a juvenile drowning victim.

Chief Kinsey also recognized Nick Araica and presented him with a Distinguished Service Award for above and beyond contribution to the District.

### ***ADMINISTRATIVE***

**Commissioner Conforti motioned for the approval of the regular Board minutes of October 10, 2011; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Liles and was approved.**

### ***FINANCIAL***

- October 2011 and current expenditures
- Acknowledgement of October 2011 financial report
- Acknowledgement of wire transfers and transfers between accounts

**Commissioner Conforti motioned to accept the financials, expenditures, the October 2011 financial report, acknowledgement of wire transfers and transfers between accounts. Commissioner Liles seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0.**

### ***OLD BUSINESS***

**Commissioner Edsall motioned for the approval of job descriptions for the positions of Administrative Coordinator, Logistics Officer and Lieutenant/Safety Officer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conforti. Chief Kinsey confirmed the positions were within budget and explained the positions. Motion approved.**

### ***CHIEFS' REPORT***

Chief Kinsey introduced Kevin Daly and explained that Mr. Daly recently authored a profile article that was published in the Fire Apparatus Journal – Nov/Dec, Vol 28. Mr. Daly was responsible for the photos and text in the article and Chief Kinsey thanked Mr. Daly for his time and dedication in preparing the article. Mr. Daly thanked the firefighters and Nicole Hornberger for their assistance and cooperation in obtaining information and photos.

Chief Kinsey noted that the District advertised the sale of the declared surplus vehicles; then to employees. Two vehicles have been sold and two vehicles have been donated to other agencies.

Chief Kinsey spoke regarding Transport and advised the Board that we have prepared and sent a list of arbitrators to the County.

### ***LOCAL 3444***

Greg DeWitt, President, Local 3444, thanked everyone involved in the Wounded Warriors softball game; it was a huge success with over 700 people attending – and the District won. The Local is planning to have two games during the next year, and possibly a golf tournament.

**COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS**

Commissioner Conforti congratulated the employees – retired and currently working – that were involved in the two calls recognized today. Chairman Lohan also congratulated the employees of the District.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Councilman Slachta relayed a message from Mayor Ben Nelson that the past Veteran's Day was one of the best Veteran's Days ever. He specifically complimented the Honor Guard and their dedication – he added that this Fire Department makes the day fantastic.

Fred Forbes complimented the participants of the October 25 Lee County hearing and stated that this great district.

**Commissioner Conforti motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Liles and carried 4-0.**

**Iris Roman  
Administrative Director**