

**BONITA SPRINGS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**Minutes – October 8, 2018
Regular Board Meeting**

Fire Commissioners Present:

Steve Lohan – Chairman
Lawrence P. Kosilla, Jr. – Vice Chairman
James Murphy – Secretary/Treasurer
Edward FitzGerald - Commissioner
Jeffrey Maturo – Commissioner

Administrative Staff Present:

Joseph V. Daigle – Fire Chief
Greg DeWitt – Assistant Chief
Eric Madden – Deputy Chief
Tim Fernandez – Fire Marshal
Lisa Gendron – Admin. Finance Director
Chrissy Biel – Admin. Coordinator

Chairman Lohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Chaplain Chitwood gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was no public comment on agenda items.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2018 MINUTES

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the September 10, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the September 10, 2018 Tentative Millage & Tentative Budget Hearing Minutes and Commissioner FitzGerald seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Commissioner FitzGerald made a motion to approve the September 24, 2018 Final Millage & Final Budget Hearing Minutes and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2018 FINANCIALS

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the September 2018 Financials and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously 5-0.** After the vote, Commissioner FitzGerald inquired about three items in the budget: interest, enhancement, and the rental agreement with Lee County EMS. Ms. Gendron stated that the increase in interest received is due to a change of banks. Chief Daigle explained that the Radio Enhancement Fund accepts money from businesses in order to offset the costs to provide repeaters for District apparatus. Chief Daigle stated that the District has not heard back from the County regarding the rental agreement. After Commissioner FitzGerald's questions were addressed, Chairman Lohan confirmed the 5-0 vote to approve the September 2018 financials.

PRESENTATIONS

Chief Daigle acknowledged twelve firefighters who completed one year of service with the District and presented a new firefighter with a new firefighter pin. Chief Daigle presented the first Stork Award to recognize the servicemen who helped deliver a baby on a call. After reading

a statement retelling the event, Chief Daigle presented green commendation bars to Lieutenant-Paramedic Michael Bucher, Firefighter-Paramedic Michael Koshlap, Firefighter-Paramedic Colin Bostin, EMT Jeff Kerr (LCEMS) and Paramedic Adam Ruffer (LCEMS). Chief Daigle stated that the commendation bars are green to symbolize life.

COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS

Commissioner Maturo inquired about the replacement of District computers. Chief Daigle read a statement prepared by Assistant Chief DeWitt to explain what technology the District has, how it is used, how often it is replaced, and why. Commissioner FitzGerald inquired about District trips to Pierce Manufacturing. Chief Daigle explained that Pierce pays for the District's expenses and stated that usually a chief, a mechanic, and a commissioner go. Commissioner Kosilla thanked Chief Daigle for the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony. Chairman Lohan apologized for not being able to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

Disposal of Assets Report

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the report and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Change Order #10 – Demo Driveway Concrete

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve Change Order #10 and Commissioner FitzGerald seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Station 23 – Payment Application #6

Commissioner Maturo made a motion to approve Payment Application #6 and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Separation Agreement

Chief Daigle stated that the separation agreement is not an issue at this time. There was no further discussion.

Approval of Purchase Orders Over \$10,000

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the purchase order for Motorola and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Four Seasons Lawn Care & Landscaping, Inc.

Commissioner FitzGerald made a motion to approve the Landscape Management Contract and the Storm Cleanup Contract, and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

CHIEF'S REPORTS

Chief Joseph Daigle

Chief Daigle gave an update on the park at Station 21 and thanked the Administrative Staff and Executive Officers for their work in putting information together to be presented to the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alex Grantt donated a book to the District and commented on firefighter pensions.

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 PM.

APPROVED