

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

**Minutes – August 12, 2019
Regular Board Meeting**

Fire Commissioners Present:

Steve Lohan – Chairman
Lawrence P. Kosilla, Jr. – Vice Chairman
James Murphy – Secretary/Treasurer
Jeffrey Maturo – Commissioner
Steven Slachta – Commissioner

Administrative Staff Present:

Joseph V. Daigle – Fire Chief
Greg DeWitt – Assistant Chief
Richard Scott – Deputy Chief
Eric Madden – Deputy Chief
Tim Fernandez – Fire Marshal
Janet Washburn – Fire Marshal
Lisa Gendron – Admin. Finance Director
Chrissy Stoker – Admin. Coordinator

Chairman Lohan called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. Chaplain Chitwood gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was no public comment on agenda items.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to appoint Steven Slachta to Board Seat 2, and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously 4-0.** Mr. Slachta was sworn into office and took his seat on the Board.

APPROVAL OF JULY 2019 MINUTES

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the July 3, 2019 Auditor Selection Workshop Minutes and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

Commissioner Maturo made a motion to approve the July 3, 2019 Budget Workshop Minutes and Commissioner Slachta seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.** Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the July 8, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

APPROVAL OF JULY 2019 FINANCIALS

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the July 2019 Financials and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

PRESENTATIONS

Chief Daigle acknowledged Firefighter-Paramedic Ramon Perez for 15 years of service and Lieutenant-EMT David Brewer for 25 years of service. Chief Daigle also introduced the District's new Fire Marshal, Janet Washburn.

COMMISSIONERS BUSINESS

Commissioner Maturo inquired about the date of the grand opening of the park at Station 21. Commissioner Murphy recommended the District have a membership in the Speakers Assembly

in Bonita Springs and asked for the Board's approval to have a commissioner acquire a membership, to which the Board gave its consensus.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board discussed the opening of the park at Station 21.

NEW BUSINESS

Disposal of Assets Report

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the report and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

Lawn Maintenance Contract Bid

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the bid from Four Seasons Lawn Care and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

Pest Control Contract Bids

Deputy Chief Madden recommended Hulett Environmental Services for pest control services. Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the bid, and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

Chief's Contract Adjustment

Commissioner Maturo made a motion to approve the adjusted contract and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and **the motion passed 5-0.**

CHIEFS' REPORTS

Chief Joseph Daigle

Chief Daigle informed the Board about the Technology Innovation Award that the District received for its RFID system and the implementation of a repeater system on the trucks. Deputy Chief Scott explained how the RFID system works and how it benefits the District.

Deputy Chief Eric Madden

Deputy Chief Madden updated the Board on the completion of the new burn building and broke down the costs and savings to the District.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Regular Board Meeting moved to a Closed Executive Session to discuss Union contract negotiations at 5:24 p.m. Only the Commissioners and Administrative staff were present.

The executive session ended at 6:56 p.m., and the regular Board meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.