

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

**Minutes – September 9, 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
Janet Washburn – Fire Marshal
Lisa Gendron – Admin. Finance Director
Chrissy Stoker – 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.

TENTATIVE MILLAGE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING

See separate minutes

Chairman Lohan called the Regular Board Meeting back to order at 5:07 PM. Alex Grantt commented on the collective bargaining agreement.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2019 MINUTES

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the August 12, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.** Commissioner Slachta made a motion to approve the August 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.** Commissioner Slachta made a motion to approve the August 23, 2019 Budget Workshop Minutes and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. **The motion passed 5-0.**

PRESENTATIONS

Chief Daigle acknowledged the promotion of Andrew Riggenbach to the rank of lieutenant.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2019 FINANCIALS

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

COMMISSIONERS BUSINESS

Commissioner Maturo read a list of the District's many accomplishments over the past few years to highlight the work of the chiefs, administrative staff, and the Board, and he thanked the firefighters for their hard work. Commissioner Kosilla commended Lieutenant-Paramedic Riggenbach and wished him well in his new position. Commissioner Murphy thanked

Commissioner Maturo for highlighting the District's accomplishments and thanked Chief Daigle for his efforts. Chairman Lohan stated that he is proud to be a part of the District.

NEW BUSINESS

Disposal of Assets Report

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

VFIS 2019-2020 Renewal

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

Collective Bargaining Agreement

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

CHIEFS' REPORTS

Chief Joseph Daigle

Chief Daigle thanked the Board and the labor team for successfully negotiating the new contract.

Assistant Chief Greg DeWitt

Assistant Chief DeWitt gave updates on Hurricane Dorian and discussed the deployment of Task Force 6. He also reminded the Board about the 9/11 Memorial event at Station 21.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alex Grantt commented on firefighter pensions. Ron Pure commented on the DROP.

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.