

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

**Minutes – June 7, 2021
Regular Board Meeting**

Fire Commissioners Present:

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

Administrative Staff Present:

Greg DeWitt – Fire Chief
Richard Scott – Assistant Fire Chief
Eric Madden – Deputy Chief
Janet Washburn – Fire Marshal
Lisa Gendron – Admin – Finance Director
Anna-Marie Waller – Admin Coordinator

Chairman Lohan called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. Chaplain Chitwood gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was no public comment on agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment on agenda items.

APPROVAL MINUTES

Commissioner Murphy motioned to approve the May 10, 2021, Budget Workshop Minutes, and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-0.**

Commissioner Kosilla motioned to approve the May 10, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes, and Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-0.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

Commissioner Murphy motioned to approve the May 2021 Financials, and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-0.**

COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS

Commissioner Kosilla is invited on behalf of the Armed Forces and First Responders of the Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors to participate in their Fifth Annual Golf Outing on Monday, July 12, 2021. The other Commissioners assured Chief DeWitt they all be in attendance of the scheduled Board meeting on that day since they will be setting the milage at that meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Chief DeWitt presented the 15 Years of Service pins to Lieutenant Andy Chicas, Firefighter Adam Nolin, Lieutenant Andrew Riggerbach, Firefighter Robert Schmidt. Also receiving his 15 Years of Service pin was Facilities Coordinator Michael Burkard.

DISPOSALS

Commissioner Kosilla motioned to approve the disposal of four computers, two bunker gear coats, and two bunker gear pants. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

Jeff Brown of Ashley, Brown, and Smith, Certified Public Accountants, presented the fiscal year audit ending September 30, 2020. Mr. Brown stated that the District is in a sound financial position. All the Commissioners present acknowledged and accepted the audit.

Commissioner Murphy motioned to accept the new CPR/First Aid Fees. Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-0.**

CHIEFS' REPORTS

Chief Greg DeWitt

Chief DeWitt gave the Chief's Report:

- Remarked that the District will work with the City of Bonita Springs and City Council Member Laura Taylor on the Fourth of July Parade
- Commented that he received an apology from the mayor for not contacting the District regarding the Memorial Day festivities.
- Stated that the property values in Bonita are up 4%.
- Confirmed the Budget Workshop date change to July 6, 2021.
- Verified the attendance of the Commissioners at the Chambers Business after hours on June 10, 2021.
- USAR Training at the Dog Track went well and received good media coverage. K-9 search dog was also able to train.
- The boat is out of service for the installation of new lighting and its 500-hour service.
- Commented that E-24 is on schedule to be put into service on or before July 1, 2021.
- Reminded the Commissioners that FASD plans needed to be finalized.

Assistant Chief Richard Scott

Assistant Chief Scott recognized Chaplain Chitwood for his help in saving a person who had fallen off a jet ski and was adrift in the water around dusk. The Chaplain called 9-1-1, and our crew was able to locate and save the individual. Commissioner Lohan added his appreciation of the Chaplain's contributions to the District.

Assistant Chief Scott answered Commissioner Kosilla's question about the lift repairs.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.