

Minutes for the Meeting of
the Fort Myers Beach Fire Control District Board of Commissioners
June 24, 2026, 10:00AM
Diamondhead Beach Resort
2000 Estero Boulevard

In attendance: Chairman John Bennett, Vice-Chairman Jim Knickle, Secretary/Treasurer Ronald Fleming, Commissioner Keran Farrell, Fire Chief Scott Wirth, and District members.

Note: Commissioner Jacki Liszak attended virtually.

1. Meeting Called to Order 10:05am
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adoption of Agenda [Discussion/Approval]

Commissioner Fleming requested to add discussion of a fire boat to the agenda. This was added as item 8E.

Commissioner Knickle motioned to approve the changes and the agenda; Commissioner Farrell seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

4. Restate Agenda Items [Information]
5. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items - *none*
6. Consent Agenda [Approval]

Items listed are considered routine and action will be taken by one motion; if a commissioner desires discussion, the specific item will be removed during the Adoption of the Agenda and considered separately.

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 22, 2026
- B. Approval of April General Fund Checks 49965-50019 total \$249,680.08.
- C. Approval of April Capital Improvement Fund Checks 1135-1138 total \$61,109.19.
- D. Approval of May General Fund Checks 50020-50098 total \$167,066.88.
- E. Approval of May Capital Improvement Fund Checks 1139 – 1140 total \$521,007.45

Commissioner Fleming motioned to approve the agenda; Commissioner Farrell seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

7. Unfinished Business

A. None

8. New Business

A. Purchase of Polaris Xpedition UTV [Information/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Wirth gave information on the Polaris UTV.

Commissioner Fleming motioned to approve the purchase of the Polaris Xpedition UTV for the price of \$58,939.00 with an allowance of up to 5%. Commissioner Knickle seconded the motion, and the board briefly discussed the quote. The motion carried 5-0.

B. Purchase of ImageTrend RMS Software [Information/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Wirth presented information on ImageTrend RMS Software.

Commissioner Farrell motioned to enter into a three-year agreement with ImageTrend, Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

C. 2026/27 Budget Review: Capital Sustainment [Information/Discussion]

Chief Wirth reviewed a list of equipment for replacement or new purchase and the expected costs.

D. Florida's Joint Resolution on Homestead Exemption [Information/Discussion]

Chief Wirth shared an update on the status of the joint resolution and how it will affect the District. The Board briefly discussed the joint resolution.

E. Purchase of a Fire Boat [Information/Discussion]

Commissioner Fleming shared information on a fire boat and his opinion on the need to purchase a boat for the District. He would like to see a deposit for the purchase of a boat added to the upcoming budget. Board members and Chief Wirth briefly discussed their thoughts and opinions on the purchase of a boat.

9. Fire Chief Remarks [Information/Discussion]

Chief Wirth highlighted District anniversaries and shared information on the most recent group of new hires. He shared information on a recent tactical rescue carried out by District staff. Chief Wirth highlighted Fire Marshal Campbell and her recent feature in the International Institute of Fire Engineers online publication.

Jane Thompson shared that the District received reimbursement for the CAT B project from FEMA and FEMA has closed the project. She recognized staff from the Florida Department of Emergency Development for their assistance.

Chief Wirth and Commissioner Farrell shared information on the equipment recently donated to a fire department in Oaxaca, Mexico.

Chief Wirth shared information on the District's 4th of July plans.

10. Commissioner Remarks [Information]

Commissioner Farrell thanked everyone for a great meeting and extended his gratitude for donating equipment to Oaxaca.

Commissioner Liszak thanked everyone and shared her thoughts on the purchase of a fire boat.

Commissioner Fleming thanked everyone.

Commissioner Knickle appreciated the informative meeting and shared that he is continually impressed by the professionalism of the District's firefighters.

Commissioner Bennett thanked everyone for their input and participation. He shared that he is looking forward to 4th of July celebrations.

11. Adjournment 11:25am