

MINUTES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
FORT MYERS BEACH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TIME: 9:30 AM

DATE: September 23, 2020

Fort Myers Beach Town Hall

IN ATTENDANCE: Chairman Wood, Vice-Chairman Fleming, Secretary/Treasurer Bennett, Commissioner Lyszak, Fire Chief Love, District members and members of the public.

VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE: Commissioner Knickle

1 Meeting Called to Order

2 Pledge of Allegiance

3 Adoption of the Agenda [Discussion/Approval]

Chairman Wood called for a motion to approve the agenda. Vice-Chairman Fleming requested to add item B “FASD Update” under New Business. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Commissioner Lyszak seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0

4 Restate Agenda Items [Information]

5 Public Input on Non-Agenda Items [Information]

No public input was provided

6 Consent Agenda Items [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. August 12, 2020 Work Session & Meeting Minutes

B. September 9, 2020 Tentative Budget Hearing Minutes

C. July 31, 2020 Department Checks #46139 - #46234 for a total of \$254,397.68

D. August 31, 2020 Department Checks #46235 - #46307 for a total of \$239,033.46

E. Surplus List 2020-02

Chairman Wood called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice-Chairman Fleming made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Lyszak seconded.

Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0

7 Fire Chiefs Report [Information]

Chief Love highlighted items on the Chief’s report as well as:

- The institution of the “Tips” program
- Provided photos and discussed new training equipment

- Thanked staff for their participation in the 9/11 ceremony
- Providing the community with phases and timing of new building process
- Updates to the website
- Thanked “BeachTalk” for allowing us to use their forum to provide information to our community and thanked the Chamber of Commerce for pushing our information out to our community.
- Thank you voicemail from a resident regarding our emergency services

8 Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

9 New Business

A. Request for Qualification Process of Facility Engineer & Architectural Services [Introduction/Public Input/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Love introduced this topic and thanked staff for their hard work on the Request for Qualification process. Executive Assistant Fire Chief Martin gave an overview of the purpose of the process and explained the packet that was provided to the Board. Chairman Wood called for public comment. No public comment was provided. Chairman Wood made a motion to approve the Internal Competitive Solicitation/Negotiation policy and authorize the Fire Chief to solicit requests for qualifications and implement the RFQ process pursuant to policy. Vice-Chairman Fleming seconded. Secretary/Treasurer Bennett requested an estimated time frame and Chief Love stated we don’t have one at this time, but will provide more information as we move forward through the process.
Motion approved unanimously 5 – 0.

B. Florida Association of Special Districts (FASD) Update (added during Adoption of Agenda)

Vice-Chairman Fleming stated that he received a call from the FASD and that Chief Love had won the nomination for the FASD’s District Manager of the year award.

10 Report from IAFF Union Representative District 3 and/or 15 [Information]

No input was provided

11 Fire Chief Remarks [Information/Discussion]

Chief Love discussed the following items:

- Thanked everyone for their support
- Chief Love stated that he doesn’t have words to express his feelings about receiving the Florida Association of Special District’s District Manager’s award.

12 Commissioner Remarks [Information]

Commissioner Knickle congratulated everyone for their promotions. Commissioner Knickle thanked the staff for allowing him to attend the meeting virtually.

Secretary/Treasurer Bennett echoed Commissioner Knickle’s comments.

Secretary/Treasurer Bennett gave kudos to the department for their work at the marina fire.

Secretary/Treasurer Bennett stated that he enjoyed attending the training event.

Vice-Chairman Fleming echoed other Commissioner comments and congratulated Chief Love on receiving the FASD award. Vice-Chairman Fleming congratulated everyone on their years of service and thanked the department for the positive change.

Commissioner Lyszak welcomed the Lee County Sheriff's Office to the beach and thanked Executive Assistant Fire Chief Martin for attending the ribbon cutting. Commissioner Lyszak thanked Executive Assistant Fire Chief DiCristofalo for providing the department with training. Commissioner Lyszak congratulated everyone on promotions. Commissioner Lyszak thanked Chief Love and staff for their work on the budget. Commissioner Lyszak thanked staff for their preparation on the new building. Commissioner Lyszak congratulated Chief Love on receiving the FASD award and how deserving he is of the award.

Chairman Wood echoed all other Commissioner comments and stated that Chief Love is the best CEO and Manager.

13. Adjournment

6:37 pm