

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2007
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Wednesday, November 14, 2007, 5:00 P.M.
Meeting held at Fire Station No. 4, 403 Boundary Boulevard
Rotonda, Florida

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 P.M. by the Chairman, Ms. Hawkins. Those present were: Ms. Hawkins, Mr. Davison, Mr. Bell, Mr. Kern, Chief Bonakoske and Mrs. Wellbaum-Emery. Mr. Seneca arrived later in the meeting.

MINUTES OF LAST MONTHS MEETING:

Ms. Hawkins called for a motion to accept the minutes of the Board Meeting of October 24, 2007. Mr. Bell made a motion to accept the minutes from the Board Meeting of October 24, 2007 as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Davison and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Chief addressed Station 75. He advised the Board that we have been granted permission to change the colors of the station. A short discussion ensued.

The Chief notified the Board that the firefighters at Station 71 are being presented the with beautification award from the Chamber of Commerce today.

Chief Bonakoske advised the Board the equipment committee is going to Ocala to finalize the specs for the new truck.

Mr. Davison advised the Board that most the inspections have been completed for the 516 Paul Morris Drive office building. The Chief stated the environmental survey has been received and looks fine. Mr. Kern made a motion to authorize Ms. Hawkins to address any issues in the contract that may arise during the due diligence period which ends November 20. It was seconded by Mr. Bell and passed unanimously. Mr. Davison will look into the possibility of purchasing furniture from the seller. A lengthy discussion ensued. Ms. Hawkins advised the Board she has a conflict in her schedule regarding the closing date. Mr. Kern advised the Board that he would be available to sign the closing papers. Mr. Davison made a motion to appoint Mr. Kern to sign the closing papers for the 516 Paul Morris Drive property on the 12th of December 2007. It was seconded by Mr. Bell and passed unanimously.

Ms Hawkins addressed the Districts 25th Anniversary celebration. She would like to know how we would like to celebrate this anniversary. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The Chief addressed the annual awards cookout/BBQ. He thinks we may have it in December. This will be addressed at a later date.

The Chief received the draft copy of the Sarasota County rental contract for Stations 1 and 3 today. A lengthy discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Hawkins discussed the District's involvement in the Fire Starter Program. This 6 week program addresses juveniles involved in starting fires. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The Chief addressed the Columbia Southern University partner agreement. This partner agreement addresses a 10% discount in the tuition rate for classes taken through the University. A lengthy discussion ensued. The Board decided that was should accept this contract. The Chief will sign and return the agreement.

Chief Bonakoske addressed the cell tower recovery agreement. A lengthy discussion ensued. This agreement will be discussed further at a later date.

The Chief presented the renewal contract from GSG. A lengthy discussion ensued. This will be addressed at the November 28th Board meeting.

Mr. Kern asked what type of agreement we have with PCM. Is it a contract or hourly rate? The Chief stated we pay an hourly rate. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

_____ DATED: _____
Denise Hawkins, Chairman

_____ DATED: _____
Attest

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