

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2007**  
**OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE**  
**ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT**

Wednesday, December 19, 2007, 9:00 A.M.  
Meeting held at Fire Station No. 4, 403 Boundary Boulevard  
Rotonda, Florida

The meeting was called to order at 9:00A.M. by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Kern. Those present were: Mr. Kern, Mr. Davison, Mr. Bell, Mr. Seneca, Chief Bonakoske and Mrs. Emery. Ms. Hawkins was not in attendance.

**SERVICE AWARDS:**

Chief Bonakoske stated that five firefighters are celebrating their 15 year anniversary. They are: Firefighter Leonard Foley, Lt. Donald Rossow, Lt. David Spargur, Lt. John Stubbs and Firefighter Lee Wiskowski. The Chief presented them with their 15 year pins.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

No one from the public wished to address the Board.

**MINUTES OF LAST MONTHS MEETING:**

Mr. Kern called for a motion to accept the minutes of the Board Meetings of November 28 and December 5, 2007. Mr. Seneca made a motion to accept the minutes from the Board Meetings of November 28 and December 5, 2007 as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Davison and passed unanimously.

**SECRETARY/TREASURERS REPORT:**

Mr. Kern advised the Board a copy of the closing statement regarding the 516 Paul Morris Drive property has been received.

Mr. Kern asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the November 2007 Treasurer's Report. Mr. Bell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for November 2007 subject to audit. It was seconded by Mr. Seneca and passed unanimously.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:**

The Chief advised the Board that we were not successful in receiving a Grant for the 800 radios. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the upgrading of our radio system.

Chief Bonakoske addressed the fire protection for the West Village parcel and the Myakka Pines property. A very lengthy discussion ensued.

The Chief addressed adjusting the capitol projects section of the budget. A lengthy discussion ensued.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Kern addressed the projected meeting dates for 2008. The Board discussed the need for a night meeting. The decision was made that all meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. The time of the meetings could be discussed and adjusted as needed. Mr. Seneca made a motion to accept the meeting dates as presented with all meeting to be held at 9:00 A.M. The dates and times can be adjusted as needed. Copy attached for the record. It was seconded by Mr. Bell and passed unanimously.

Chief Bonakoske advised the Board he and Commissioner Davison have met with all the Charlotte County Commissioners to discuss Station 75. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Mr. Kern addressed the truck for Station 75. Assistant Chief Gaskell updated the commission regarding the status of this truck. He advised the Commissioners that this truck has been prepaid to enable the District to realize a 4% discount. The delivery time for the truck will be approximately May 1, 2008. A lengthy discussion ensued

Mr. Davison addressed the 516 Paul Morris Drive property. Mr. Kern advised the Board the closing took place without any problems. Mr. Davison thanked Mr. Kern, Assistant Chief Gaskell and the entire Board for their patience and assistance in the purchasing and the closing of this building. The Chief advised the Board we may be able to move into this building by the first part of February. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The Board took a break from 10:10 to 10:20.

The Chief addressed the adjusting of the budget, again. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 A.M.

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**Jeff Kern, Vice Chairman**

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