

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 8, 2009
FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Thursday, October 8, 2009, 6:00 P.M.
Meeting held at the Englewood Area Fire Control District's
Station 74
403 Boundary Blvd., Rotonda, Florida 33947

The meeting was called to order at 5:59 P.M. by the Chairman, Ms. Hawkins. Those present were: Ms. Hawkins, Mr. Bray, Mr. Bell, Mr. Davison, Mr. Seneca, Chief Bonakoske and Ms. Emery.

Ms. Hawkins stated the reason for this meeting was to discuss the resumes that were received for the Chief's position. The first thing discussed was the procedure to be followed for this process. The Commissioners discussed and voted on each resume, referring to them by number in lieu of the name. After a lengthy discussion the Commissioners tallied the votes and came up with a list of eight resumes that received the highest number of votes. These are the candidates that will continue to the interview process. They are as follows: #2, 3, 7, 11, 16, 23, 25, and 26. A lengthy discussion on the interview process ensued. It was discussed that Mr. Davison would meet with Assistant Chief Lane and put together a list of people to be included on the fact finding panel. This will be discussed further at the next Board Meeting. This panel would report back to the Board with their input regarding each candidate, they would not make recommendations. The Board would like to conduct two interviews and have a background check on the qualifying applicants. The Board would like letters sent to the 8 selected candidates advising them they have been selected to proceed to the interview portion of the hiring process. They would like the candidates to inform them if they are still interested in the position. Mr. Davison made a motion to send letters to the candidates advising them that they have been selected to proceed to the interview portion of the hiring procedure and authorize Commissioner Davison to work with Assistant Chief Lane to put together a fact finding panel. It was seconded by Mr. Bell and after a short discussion it passed with a three to one vote.

Ms. Emery advised the Board that she had been contacted by Commissioners to contact the pension attorney regarding the two persons who are applying for the Chief's position that are going to be retiring from the District. The question being asked is, is it appropriate for a person who is taking a pension buy out to then apply for the job. She said in short yes it is appropriate. A lengthy discussion ensued. Mr. Bray had a problem that he wanted to address at this time. He would like to know who has the authority to contact the attorney for information. This will be put on the agenda for the October 14th Board Meeting under new business "Commissioner Responsibilities".

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

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Denise Hawkins, Chairman

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