

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 23, 2010
FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Wednesday, June 23, 2010, 9:00 A.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 9:03 A.M. by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Davison. Those present were: Mr. Davison, Mr. Bell, Mr. Seneca, Chief Gorski and Ms. Emery. Mr. Bray and Ms. Hawkins were not in attendance.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

No one wished to address the Board.

MINUTES FROM LAST MONTHS MEETING:

Mr. Davison asked if there were any questions, corrections or additions to the minutes from the Board Meeting of June 2, 2010. Mr. Seneca made a motion to accept the minutes from the Board Meeting of June 2, 2010 as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Bell and passed unanimously.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Davison asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasurer's Reports for May 2010. Mr. Bell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Reports for May 2010 subject to audit. It was seconded by Mr. Seneca and passed unanimously. The Chief explained to the Board that we are eight months into the budget year and we are below the targeted amounts, we are doing well.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Chief advised the Board that the Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund Board met last week and received their audit. Chief Gorski stated the pension costs are up but all the pensions in the State of Florida are up. A lengthy discussion ensued.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

Mr. Davison gave a brief mention of the Special District's conference that was held in St. Petersburg.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Gorski addressed the Impact Fee Resolution that is projected to take effect on September 2, 2010. Florida Statue allows cities and counties that are lowering their rates, to have them take effect immediately; however Special Districts have to wait 90 days before they become effective. The Chief stated that we may want to attach our selves with both Sarasota and Charlotte County's lobbyists to address this 90 day issue. A short discussion ensued.

The Chief updated the Board regarding the oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Gorski advised the Board that the agreement with Crown Castle needs to be signed. Ms. Emery has it and in her opinion it looks fine and can be signed. Mr. Davison was given two copies of the agreement for his signature. A short discussion ensued. Mr. Bell made a motion to authorize Mr. Davison to sign this letter agreement with Crown Castle. It was seconded by Mr. Seneca and passed unanimously.

Chief Gorski advised the Board that the advertisement for the Call for Professional services is in the newspaper today. A short discussion ensued.

The Chief would like to have a budget workshop to go over the entire Budget at the end of the July 14th Board Meeting. It is his goal to have no rate increase. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Gorski will be setting up a meeting with the churches to address their exemption status. He will advise them that they will no longer be exempt from paying the non ad valorem assessment.

The Chief advised the Board that there will be an employee recognition portion at the next Board meeting. This will be for two incidents that occurred. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Gorski addressed the Myakka Pines development and advised the Board that the project is moving forward. He was advised by Sarasota County, that while the plans for the development were being reviewed an error was discovered in the wording. It stated that the developer would deed land to Sarasota County for a fire station not the Englewood Area Fire Control District. The Chief advised the Board that this needs to be changed to show the land deeded to the District. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The Chief attended the Sarasota County Commission meeting yesterday, where they would be discussing the Boat Grant. Unfortunately the issue was bumped until this morning. He is 99.9% sure we will receive this grant. The grant money, approximately \$85,000.00 will become available October 1, 2010.

Chief Gorski also attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting this morning and this evening he will be attending the Knights of Columbus meeting.

The Chief, Assistant Chief Lane and Ms. Emery met with Attorney Draper and the owners of Gasparilla Marina and have scheduled mediation for July 13th. The goal is to get this issue behind us and move forward.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Chief continued the discussion of the Strategic Plan from the last Board Meeting. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Chief Gorski advised the Board that Chief Lane was notified that we did not receive the FEMA Grant for the renovations to Station 71.

Charlotte County notified us that they would like to put a sidewalk down Boundary Blvd. They would like our permission to come on to our property easement to put in this sidewalk

NEW BUSINESS:

Chief Gorski explained how to use the new AED's we received from grant monies. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

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Ronald Davison, Vice Chairman

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Attest

Bdmt June 23, 2010