

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 12th, 2011
FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Wednesday, October 12th, 2011, 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 9:01 A.M. by the Chairman, Ms. Hawkins. Those present were: Ms. Hawkins, Mr. Davison, Mr. Kern, Mr. Bacon and Chief Gorski. Ms. Emery arrived late.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

No one from the public wished to address the Board.

MINUTES FROM LAST MONTHS MEETING:

Ms. Hawkins asked if there were any questions, corrections or additions to the minutes from the Board Meeting of September 28th, 2011. Mr. Davison made a motion to accept the minutes from the Board Meeting of September 28th, 2011 as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Bacon and passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

There were no commissioner comments at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

The Chief advised the Board that all three shifts have been out in the community addressing the benefits of smoke detectors and they have installed 43 smoke detectors. The Chief addressed the article in The Sun that Steve Reilly wrote addressing the value of these smoke detectors. He stated that on October 7th he was on WENG for the start of Fire Protection Week.

Chief Gorski notified the Commissioners that the fire fighters are looking for donations for the Bikes for Tikes program. This program gives needy children bikes at Christmas. He stated that the program has received donations from Key Agency in the amount of \$500.00 and from Howard's Restaurant in the amount of \$100.00.

The Chief stated that October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and the fire fighters, are again selling tee shirts to benefit this cause.

Chief Gorski addressed the SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) for the previous budget and rate process. He asked the Commission if they had any suggestions or changes they wished address for our next budget and rate process.

At the next Board meeting, October 26th there will be service awards and an employee recognition award presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief Gorski updated the Commission regarding the Barrier Island fire protection inter-local agreement. As of October 1st we have been providing fire protection from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M., from the mainland and Charlotte County has been providing the service from the island from 8 P.M. to 8 A.M. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The Chief distributed the 2010 Annual Report from the State of Florida to each Commissioner for their information. He feels this report provides useful information to the Commissioners. A short discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chief Gorski addressed the mutual aid/automatic aid agreement between the District and Sarasota County. A lengthy discussion ensued. Mr. Davison made a motion to accept the mutual aid/automatic aid agreement between the District and Sarasota County as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Kern and passed unanimously.

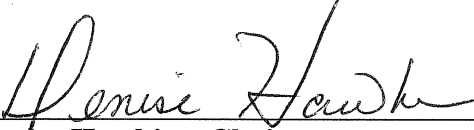
There was a short discussion regarding the State charging for driver's license checks.


Mr. Kern addressed the hiring of an independent actuary to review the fire fighters pension which was approved at the Public Hearing. He would like to hire an independent actuary to do this review. There was a short discussion.

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No one from the public wished to address the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 A.M.


_____ DATED: 10.26.11
Denise Hawkins, Chairman


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Attest