

# **DESTIN FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

## **Main Station**

848 Airport Road  
Destin, Florida 32541

July 10, 2018

### **Minutes**

Commissioners present: Rick Moore, Mike Buckingham, Tommy Green,  
and Bob Wagner

Commissioners absent: Jack Wilson

Staff present: Chief Kevin Sasser, Division Chiefs Joe D'Agostino,  
Matt Taylor and Kathryn Wagner, Marie Wilbur

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Moore at 5:31 p.m. He announced Commissioner Wilson's absence. A quorum was present.

### **Employee Recognition**

Chief Sasser recognized two veteran firefighters by awarding Twenty Years of Service plaques to Battalion Chief James Taylor, who has 27-1/2 years of service, and to Battalion Chief Mark Hutchinson, who has 22-1/2 years of service. Commissioners extended their thanks and congratulations.

### **Public Comments**

None

### **Review of Minutes**

The minutes for the regular meeting of June 12, 2018 were presented. Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Buckingham seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Review of Financials**

Division Chief Wagner presented the Financial Statements for the month ended June 30, 2018. After brief review, Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the Financial Statements for June 30, 2018 as presented. Commissioner Green seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

a. Norriego Point Lifeguard

Chief Sasser, Division Chief D’Agostino and City Manager Carisse LeJeune met with Jennifer Adams, the Director of the Tourism Development Department (TDD), to request funding for a lifeguard at Norriego Point, and received approval and funding from the Tourism Development Council (TDC) for an additional two lifeguards and equipment. One lifeguard has been put in place, currently with an ATV at Norriego Point, and another at Holiday Isle with a chair.

**Chief Reports**

a. Beach Safety Report

Division Chief D’Agostino reported July 3<sup>rd</sup> as the busiest day ever on Destin beaches, with 43 rescues and three transports. He reviewed Beach Safety statistics as of July 4, 2018.

b. Training Report

Chief Sasser reported 23 hours of training completed for each shift during the month of June. ISO review was done on June 9, 2018 and he expects a response in 3-4 months.

c. Inspection Report

Division Chief Taylor presented the Inspection Report for June, announcing the receipt of plans for two projects - Legacy Lifestyles of Destin, a 112,000 square foot assisted living facility, and Vintage Destin, a 281 unit apartment complex.

d. Response Change Report

Chief Sasser reviewed response times, noting times were a bit slower than last month. Call breakdowns between Station 9 and 10 were 67% vs 33%. He also reviewed graph breakdowns and the call history for the month of June.

e. Overtime Report

Chief Sasser reviewed the Overtime Report for June which reflects firefighter absences for school, but, he noted that utilizing newer recruits helps keep overtime costs down.

**New Business**

a. Budget Workshop – 2<sup>nd</sup> Presentation

Chief Sasser announced no changes to the draft from the 1<sup>st</sup> budget presentation at the last meeting. Division Chief Wagner announced possible adjustments for an email archive system, remodeling of the kitchen and reception area of Station 9, possible Class A uniform rollover, additional Beach Safety funding, and review of plans for next year’s Junior Lifeguard Program.

b. Contract Extension – Carr, Riggs & Ingram

Division Chief Wagner stated CRI was willing to extend their contract for one year. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Buckingham made a motion to extend the CRI contract by one year. Commissioner Wagner seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

c. Resolution 18-04 to Declare 2006 Chevrolet Colorado Obsolete

Chief Sasser presented Resolution 18-04 to declare the 2006 Chevrolet Colorado obsolete and to put it up for sale. Commissioner Buckingham made a motion to approve Resolution 18-04, selling for \$500 or best offer, with full disclosure. Commissioner Green seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

d. West End of District Station

Chief Sasser informed the Commission of the discussion at the Destin City Councils recent meeting and stated the Council requested that they work with the Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to develop a plot plan for the Council to review, showing the footprint and impact on the park for the proposed site.

**Next Meeting**

Chairman Moore reminded the Board that the next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Moore announced that three Commissioners are up for re-election. Commissioners Buckingham and Wilson are unopposed and he looks forward to welcoming them back to the Board. Commissioner Wagner does have opposition and he wished him the best of luck.

**Adjournment**

With no additional business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.