

DESTIN FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Main Station

848 Airport Road
Destin, Florida 32541

September 11, 2018

Minutes

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

Commissioners absent: Jack Wilson

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

Present: Attorney Dana "D.C." Matthews, II

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Moore at 5:30 p.m. He announced Commissioner Wilson's absence. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

None

Review of Minutes

The minutes for the regular meeting of August 14, 2018 were presented. Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Green seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Review of Financials

Division Chief Wagner presented the financial statements for the month ended August 31, 2018. After brief review, Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the financial statements for August 31, 2018 as presented. Commissioner Green seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

a. West End of District Station

Chief Sasser reported on meetings held with various City representatives in regard to the proposed fire station at Clement Taylor Park. He felt that the meetings went well and that the process is moving forward. Chief and Commissioners have spoken to Architect Scott Jenkins regarding the representatives' concerns and obtaining plans for presentation to the city, hopefully within the next month.

Chief Reports

a. Beach Safety Report

Division Chief D’Agostino reported on the effects of Tropical Storm Gordon. He noted that the lifeguard staff was recognized by the city for their rescue efforts during the first week of August. Statistics are still running high for the year. In response to a question by Chairman Moore he noted that Norriego Point is getting a bit busier, and that the addition of parking and bathrooms will only make the numbers go higher. He does not know what schedule the city has for completing construction, but he feels his staff is ready.

b. Training Report

Chief Sasser reported 21 hours of training for each shift during the month of August.

c. Inspection Report

Division Chief Taylor presented the Inspection Report for August noting it to have been a fairly quiet month.

d. Response Change Report

Chief Sasser reviewed response times and call breakdowns between Stations 9 and 10. He reviewed graph breakdowns and the Call History for the month of August. He announced four part-time firefighters coming on board over the next couple of months.

e. Overtime Report

Chief Sasser reviewed the Overtime Report for August which reflects another low month with firefighter education and absence coverage required.

New Business

a. FY 2017-2018 Year End Budget Adjustments

Division Chief Wagner reviewed the year end budget adjustments which result in no added expense. Commissioner Green made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Year End Budget Adjustments. Commissioner Buckingham seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

b. Insurance Renewals

Division Chief Wagner reported that General Liability Insurance through VFIS would have a 10% higher premium (6% on the Fire side and 4% on the Beach side). This will be renewed for only 11 months so that final numbers for the following year can be received earlier for budget planning purposes. Dental/Vision coverage under Guardian and Life Insurance under Principal will continue with no changes. Workers’ Compensation under PGIT will be decreasing (it will be the second year with this company) and will also be renewed for 11 months to receive final numbers earlier.

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the Insurance Renewals as recommended. Commissioner Green seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

c. Appointment of Pension Board Trustee – Seat 4

Three resumes have been received from individuals expressing interest in filling Seat 4 on the Pension Board. The Commissioners would like to have further opportunity to review the resumes

and talk with the candidates before making a final decision, so this item was tabled until the next meeting with all Commissioners in agreement.

Next Meeting

Chairman Moore reminded the Board that the Public Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 5:01 p.m. and that the next regular meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment

With no additional business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.