

**DESTIN FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT**  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
**Main Station**  
848 Airport Road  
Destin, Florida 32541

January 8, 2019

**Minutes**

Commissioners present: Rick Moore, Tommy Green, Bob Wagner, Jack Wilson

Commissioners absent: Mike Buckingham

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

Also present: Attorney Dana "D.C." Matthews, II

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

**Public Comments**

None

**Review of Minutes**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 11, 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 Financial Report**

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

**Old Business**

a. West End of District Station

Chief Sasser reported that the County has received the drawings for the proposed park and have sent them off to the Department of Treasury for review and approval, which is currently pending. Commissioners Green and Wilson reported on a meeting with the press in this regard, where individual commissioners were separately interviewed. They felt the press reporting was favorable.

**Chief Reports**

a. Beach Safety Report

Division Chief D'Agostino reported that job applications for 2019 are out and the VISA receipt number for hiring was received yesterday. The Polar Bear Plunge, benefiting the Junior Lifeguard program was held at Henderson Beach State Park and had a record attendance of 140 people.

b. Training Report

Chief Sasser reviewed the Training Report and reported 22 hours of training per shift during December. Training hours for the year totaled 278. He stated that there is planning to do a high rise training program in the first quarter of this year.

c. Inspection Report

Division Chief Taylor presented the Inspection Report. He reported that two large property impact fees are still pending and that Otto's Car Wash is officially open.

d. Response Change Report

Chief Sasser reviewed the reports stating that the 2018 average response time was 84%, a 4% increase from last year. Calls for 2018 totaled 3,361, an increase of 217 from 2017. Highest call zones are still 1 and 2.

e. Overtime Report

Chief Sasser stated that the Overtime Report for December was good, even though there was a lot of sickness.

**New Business**

a. Resolution 19-04 – To Donate Asset to the City of Destin

Chief Sasser reported that the city's Code Enforcement Department asked if the District would be willing to donate one of the obsolete ATVs, currently out for bid, for their use in patrolling the beaches. Commissioner Green made a motion to donate one (1) 2017 Honda Rancher ATV to the city's Code Enforcement Department. Commissioner Wilson seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed by a vote of 3 to 1. Chief Sasser asked the Board's approval to dispose of the remaining two ATVs, in the best interest of the District, if no bids are received at the close of bidding tomorrow at noon. The Board agreed.

b. Request for Proposals to Purchase Beach Safety ATVs/UTV/Waverunner

The District received bids from Pensacola Motor Sports, Ward's Yamaha, Panama City Cycles, Inc., and KM Cycle & Marine. Commissioner Wagner made a motion to accept the bids from KM Cycle & Marine for all items. Commissioner Wilson seconded. Following brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

c. Request for Proposals to Purchase Beach Safety Lifeguard Chair(s)

The District received a bid from Drew's Marine FAB for the construction of two lifeguard chairs. It was the only bid received. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to accept the bid from Drew's Marine FAB for construction of two lifeguard chairs for a total of \$11,400. Commissioner Wagner seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

**Next Meeting**

Chairman Moore announced the next regular meeting of the Board will be held on February 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

A member of the public, Shawn Lord, questioned the Board about the public comments section of the meeting. The Chairman advised her that this was not the proper place in the meeting for questions and that the Commissioners would be available after the meeting for any questions she might have.

**Adjournment**

With no additional business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.