DESTIN FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Agenda Item

Subject: Review of Minutes - Regular meeting - January 11, 2022

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

Staff present: Chief Sasser, Division Chief Joe D'Agostino and Kathryn Wagner; Tammy Peacock

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Moore at 5:30 p.m.

Employee Recognitions

None

Public Comments

None

Chief Reports

a. <u>Beach Safety Report</u> – Division Chief D'Agostino advised the Board that the Tourist Development Council has agreed to fund the placement of Beach Safety Lifeguards at the Henderson Beach State Park during season.

Discussion ensued on the monitoring of flag conditions at Henderson Beach State Park and creating a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to follow Destin Beach Safety flag conditions.

- b. <u>Training Report</u> Chief Sasser reviewed the Training Report for December 2021.
- c. Inspection Report Chief Sasser reviewed the Inspection Report for December 2021.
- d. Overtime Report Chief Sasser reviewed the Overtime Report for December 2021 and noted that another outbreak of COVID created a majority of the overtime.

Review of Minutes

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2021 was presented. Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Green. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Review of Financial Report

Division Chief Wagner presented the financial statement for December 31st, 2021. Commissioner Green made a motion to approve the financial statements for December 31st as presented, seconded by Commissioner Wagner. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

a. <u>West End of District Station</u> – Chief Sasser advised the Board that the remodel is progressing, and Commissioner Buckingham has updates on construction of the garage. Commissioner Buckingham noted

that plans are being prepared for the construction of the garage and he would like Board consideration to continue working with Mr. Bob Black for the construction of the garage. Board members agreed to continue to work with Mr. Bob Black for construction of the garage. Chief Sasser noted he will update Board members once the drawings and cost for construction is received.

b. <u>Hurlburt Field Mutual Aid Agreement</u> - Chief Sasser advised the Board that District Attorney DC Matthews and Hurlburt Field Attorney are working on finalizing the agreement for signing. No action taken.

Chief Sasser advised the Board that 5 District team members participated in a Search and Rescue class instructed by the Coast Guard and in the upcoming week the District will provide a First Responder class which will have participants from the Coast Guard.

New Business

a. <u>Election of Officers</u> – Commissioner Green motioned to retain the current officers; Rick Moore – Chair, Tommy Green – Vice-Chair, Jack Wilson – Secretary. Commissioner Wilson seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Moore appointed Commissioner Buckingham as the Employee Relations Commissioner.

Commissioner Buckingham stated that the District's pay scales fall below local area fire departments and the District needs to review current pay scales in order to be competitive. Commissioner Moore stated the Board would have an executive session soon. Chief Sasser stated he is aware of this problem and has been working on what resources are available and strategies for being competitive with the area districts.

Next Meeting

Chairman Moore announced that the next special meeting is set for January 26th and regular meeting February 8, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment

With no additional business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.