



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 10, 2008**

MINUTES FROM MAY 13, 2008 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Schweers opened the meeting at 5:09 p.m.

Silent Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Akins, Commissioner Levy, Commissioner Schweers, Commissioner Sassano and Commissioner Morris were in attendance.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Shane Williams of Deangelis Diamond presented his final update on the administration building to the Commissioners as the certificate of occupancy is expected by May 23.

ACKNOWLEDGE PROMOTED EMPLOYEES

Interim Fire Chief Vanderbrook acknowledged Battalion Chief Mark Wahlig and Lieutenant Steve Harris.

EMS WEEK Resolution No. 2008-03

Commissioner Schweers read the resolution for EMS Week, May 18-24, 2008. *Commissioner Akins made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2008-03 proclaiming the week of May 18-24, 2008 as EMS Week in Estero. Commissioner Morris seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ITEMS TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

No items to be pulled for discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Sassano made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1-6 as presented. Commissioner Levy seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

- 1. ADOPT RESOLUTION 2008-04 CALLING FOR AN ELECTION OF THE ESTERO FIRE RESCUE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.** *Commissioner Sassano read Resolution No. 2008-04 and made a motion to adopt Administrative Agenda Item 1 as presented. Commissioner Akins seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*
- 2. UPDATE THE FIRE CHIEF POSITION DESCRIPTION; PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR THE POSTING OF THE FIRE CHIEF POSITION OPENING.** Commissioner Akins encouraged the board to back up and take a deep breath and wait to discuss this item until after the summer months, asking to pull the job description. *After discussion, Commissioner Akins*

made a motion to pull Administrative Agenda Item 2 and bring back before the Board at the September 2008 meeting. Commissioner Levy seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

3. **ADOPT BY RESOLUTION A CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE.** Acting Fire Marshal Green presented the revised fee schedule and the purpose to provide a more centralized schedule of fees. *After discussion, Commissioner Levy made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2008-05 as presented. Commissioner Sassano seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*
4. **AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A FLEET VEHICLE AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$29,831.00.** Interim Fire Chief Vanderbrook provided a brief explanation. *After discussion, Commissioner Sassano made a motion to approve Administrative Agenda Item 4 as presented. Commissioner Morris seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

- Commissioner Sassano addressed providing an increase in salary for Interim Fire Chief Vanderbrook while in this position. *After discussion, Commissioner Schweers recommended a \$10,000 increase taking Chief Vanderbrook's salary to \$117,304. Commissioner Akins made a motion to approve the \$10,000 increase in salary. Commissioner Levy seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Annual report draft provided to each Commissioner, please review and provide comments to Ms. Poli within the next week or so
- AT&T Cingular has approached us with the possibility of utilizing a portion of property at Station 2 (Coconut Point) for a stealth tower/flagpole cell antenna, which would be a benefit to EFR. AT&T Cingular still has to go through the homeowners association as well as various Estero organizations for approval.
- FASD 2008 Annual Conference – Chief Vanderbrook and Commissioner Sassano will be attending the conference in June. Please notify Ms. Poli if you wish to attend.
- Monthly report – what you are really looking for in a monthly report. Chief Vanderbrook expressed his interest to move to a quarterly report and to provide charts and graphs in lieu of just numbers. Please provide suggestions back to Chief Vanderbrook or Ms. Poli.

WALK ON ITEMS

1. **REQUEST TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS ARTICLE 29.** *Commissioner Akins made a motion to recess and go into executive session. Those in attendance at the executive session will be the Commissioners, Labor Counsel John Hament, and HR Coordinator Conway. Commissioner Morris seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. Entered into executive session as 5:57 p.m. The tape recorder was turned off and all others present, left the room.*

Commissioner Sassano made a motion to reconvene the regular board meeting. Commissioner Levy seconded, all were in favor. Meeting reconvened at 6:26 pm.

Commissioner Morris made a motion to accept resolution as discussed during the executive session regarding health insurance and to move forward. Commissioner Sassano seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Morris made a motion to adjourn. All were in favor, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle M. Sassano, Secretary