

**BONITA SPRINGS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**Minutes – November 5, 2018
Regular Board Meeting**

Fire Commissioners Present:

Steve Lohan – Chairman
Lawrence P. Kosilla, Jr. – Vice Chairman
James Murphy – Secretary/Treasurer
Edward FitzGerald - Commissioner
Jeffrey Maturo – Commissioner

Administrative Staff Present:

Joseph V. Daigle – Fire Chief
Greg DeWitt – Assistant Chief
Richard Scott – Deputy Chief
Eric Madden – Deputy Chief
Tim Fernandez – Fire Marshal
Lisa Gendron – Admin. Finance Director
Chrissy Biel – Admin. Coordinator

Chairman Lohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Chaplain Chitwood gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was no public comment on agenda items.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2018 MINUTES

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the October 8, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2018 FINANCIALS

Commissioner FitzGerald made a motion to approve the October 2018 Financials and Station 23 Pay Application #7, and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and **the motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

PRESENTATIONS

Deputy Chief Scott presented Phoenix Awards. Awards were presented to Lieutenant-Paramedic Giovanni Zamora, Firefighter-EMT Robert Schmidt, Firefighter-EMT April Staffieri, Firefighter-EMT Alex Wright, Paramedic Jeffrey Lyon (LCEMS), and EMT Lorissaint Ridge (LCEMS) for an incident on July 29, 2018, and awards were presented to BC-Paramedic Andrew Schmidt, Lieutenant-Paramedic Adam Hughes, Firefighter-EMT Jesse Cottrell, Firefighter-Paramedic Brian Hornberger, Firefighter-EMT Curtis Mere, Firefighter-EMT Alysha O’Leary, Paramedic Jeffrey Lyon (LCEMS), EMT Andrew Fletcher (LCEMS), EMT Dylan Pantoja (LCEMS), and Tamitha Chavez (Bystander) for an incident on August 18, 2018.

COMMISSIONERS’ BUSINESS

Commissioner Murphy thanked everyone for the past four years he has been a Commissioner and thanked Local 3444 for their support during election season.

Commissioner FitzGerald referenced a request he had sent to BSU to provide information on fire hydrants in the district and stated that he did not receive the requested information. Chairman Lohan reminded Commissioner FitzGerald that the Board has already discussed this matter,

voted on it, and reached the conclusion that they are satisfied with hydrant coverage. After some discussion, Chairman Lohan called a five-minute recess. The meeting was called back to order at 5:21 PM.

Commissioner FitzGerald stated that the District's trips to Pierce Manufacturing are in violation of the ethics code. After some discussion, Chairman Lohan asked for Board consensus to send a letter to Terry Lewis on the issue. A consensus was not reached.

Commissioner Maturo wished Commissioner Murphy good luck in the election. He commended the firefighters for their presence and professionalism in the community.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner FitzGerald discussed vacation time for firefighters.

NEW BUSINESS

Disposal of Assets Report

Commissioner Kosilla made a motion to approve the report and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

Station 23 – Change Order #11

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the change order and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

CPR Policy Fees

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the CPR policy fees, and Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. After some discussion, the first motion was withdrawn, and Commissioner Murphy made an amended motion to include all residents of Pelican Landing as residents of Bonita Springs for the purpose of fees. Commissioner Kosilla seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner FitzGerald dissenting.** Commissioner FitzGerald suggested that there should be no fees for residents of Bonita Springs to receive CPR training. Chairman Lohan stated that this money has already been budgeted and cannot be changed until next year.

Lee County EMS – Lease Agreement

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to approve the lease agreement and Commissioner Maturo seconded the motion. **The motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner FitzGerald dissenting.**

CHIEF'S REPORTS

Chief Joseph Daigle

Chief Daigle thanked Ben Abes for his help with the EMS contract.

The meeting adjourned at 5:39 PM.