MINUTES FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2023 FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 9:00 A.M.

Meeting held at

Englewood Fire Administration Office
516 Paul Morris Drive, Englewood, FL 34223

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman, Mr. Davison.

Those present were: Mr. Benedetti, Mr. Loisell, Lori Wellbaum and Chief Easton. Absent: Mr. Kimberlin & Mr. Knauf.

CONSENT AGENDA FROM LAST MONTHS MEETING

Mr. Davison asked if there were any questions, corrections or additions to the consent agenda from the 02/22/2023 Board Meeting. Mr. Loisell made a motion to accept the consent agenda and financials subject to audit. It was seconded by Mr. Benedetti and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comment

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chief Easton updated the Board on the Florida Special Fire District Performance Review. He is currently working with the data analyst as well as, reviewing the GIS mapping.

Chief Easton updated the Board about the station security. He has obtained a second quote which was twice the cost of the first quote but he is still anticipating a third quote to compare.

Chief Easton updated the Board about the new generators. He confirmed that the work has been permitted; now waiting for the units to arrive from manufacturer for installation.

Chief Easton updated the Board of the second Deputy Chief (Operations/Training) position. He has scheduled an interview panel for April 12, 2023; five (5) candidates are confirmed for interviews.

Chief Easton updated the Board about the lease from Crown Castle. The 4th amendment of the lease has been signed and the additional generator to accommodate T-Mobile will be scheduled for installation.

Chief Easton updated the Board about vacation rental property inspections. He explained that Fire Marshal, Kyle Brooks has made contact with some of the property owners and received a positive response. Chief Easton will be scheduling a meeting with West Manatee Fire Rescue District to discuss their experience and processes of the implementation to their department.

Chief Easton updated the Board about the department EMS inspection. He went onto explain that the department received exemplary status and expressed his appreciation of Chief Bennett's preparation and coordination.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Easton spoke to Board about the upcoming deadline for the SAFER Grant. He explained that he will be applying for nine (9) additional firefighter positions. Chief Easton has completed the narrative portion and will have it proof read before submitting it next Friday, March 17th. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Easton confirmed with the Board that the May meeting has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts amongst members and that a quorum could not be met.

Chief Easton introduced the four (4) new hires to the Board; Calaway Alterio (Firefighter/EMT), Nicolas Tiseo (Firefighter/EMT), Savannah lannotti (Firefighter/Paramedic) and Casey Hayes (Firefighter/EMT). Chief Easton also noted that all the new hires were graduates of the Englewood Fire Training Center. A short discussion ensued.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

No Public Comment at this time.

DVP COMMENT:

No DVP comment at this time.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Loisell expressed how happy he was to meet all the new hires and welcomed them to the department.

Commissioner Davison also expressed how exited he was to meet the new hires and welcome them to the department.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25am.

Ron Davison, Chairman

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