MINUTES FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF JULY 27, 2022 FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Wednesday, July 27, 2022, 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 9:01 A.M. by Chairman, Mr. Davison. Those present were: Mr. Kimberlin, Mr. Loisell, Mr. Knauf, Lori Emery and Chief Easton. Mr. Benedetti attended via telephone.

CONSENT AGENDA FROM LAST MONTHS MEETING

Mr. Davison asked if there were any questions, corrections or additions to the consent agenda from the June 22, 2022 Board Meeting. Mr. Kimberlin made a motion to accept the consent agendas and financials subject to audit. It was seconded by Mr. Knauf and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comment

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chief Easton updated the Board about the ALS program. He confirmed that the narcotic safe was installed onto Engine 71 and the medical dispensing unit was also delivered and installed at Station 71. The go live date is to be determined. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Easton updated the Board regarding the dispatch project. He confirmed that all units are now being dispatched by computer and radio. He added some recent news of Sarasota updating their CAD system which would decrease response times and that dual dispatch may no longer be needed. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Easton recommended to the Board to proceed with Fitch and Associates to execute the Florida Special Fire District Performance Review due in October. Mr. Kimberlin made a motion to hire Fitch and Associates for \$60k to prepare the Strategic Plan, Standard of Cover and Special District Review. It was seconded by Mr. Knauf and the motion passed unanimously. A small discussion ensued.

Chief Easton updated the Board on the Brush Truck; the Skid Unit has an anticipated delivery date September, early October. In the interim, the apparatus is currently at Armstrong's undergoing repairs. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Easton updated the Board on the current Fire Impact Fee Study with Raftelis. The reports and rate recommendations should be available at the next meeting to discuss. A short discussion ensued.

Chief Easton updated the Board about the RFQ for architectural services for the roof at Station 74. The department only received one (1) application but went onto explain that during that time, the department maintenance technician located the leak and has since repaired it. Chief Easton recommended that the roofing project be closed since multiple bids were not received for comparison but also since the repair has been located and repaired. The Board agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Easton spoke to the Board about the final ISO (Insurance Services Office) department rating. He reviewed the Powerpoint statistical information; data showing improvements to the district and how the final rating of Class 3/3X was achieved. A short discussion ensued.

Commissioner Davison addressed the Board about the rate increase notification received by Wellbaum & Emery, P.A. from \$175.50 per hour to \$187.50 per hour. Mr. Kimberlin made a motion to approve the increase. Mr. Loisell seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Davison went onto thank Ms. Emery for her continued service over the last 20 years.

Chief Easton addressed the Board about a recent change to the Firefighters Pension Trust Fund. outlined in Resolution 2022-1413. A short discussion ensued. Mr. Kimberlin made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Loisell seconded it and the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Easton spoke to the Board about the upcoming retirement of Assistant Chief, John Stubbs and his recommendation to re-classify that position. Chief Easton would like to change the Assistant Chief position to two (2) Deputy Chief positions. One (1) Deputy Chief of Operation and One (1) Deputy Chief of Administration. Mr. Loisell made a motion to approve the additional Deputy Chief position. It was seconded by Mr. Knauf and the motion passed unanimously.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

No Public comment at this time.

DVP COMMENT:

No DVP comment at this time.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

No Commissioner comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10am.

8/18/2022