MINUTES FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF JULY 24, 2024 FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Wednesday, July 24, 2024, 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. Loisell, Mr. Kimberlin, Mr. Knauf, Lori Wellbaum, 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 06/26/2024 Board Meetings. Mr. Kimberlin made a motion to accept the consent agenda and financials from 06/26/2024 subject to audit. It was seconded by Mr. Loisell and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comment

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chief Easton updated the Board on the new Battalion vehicle. The truck has been delivered and is currently scheduled for lights and graphics. Chief went onto explain that once the vehicle is ready to be place in service, the current Battalion truck will be placed in reserves and the Chevy Tahoe will be removed from inventory and disposed.

Chief Easton updated the Board on the facility repairs. Station 71 roof is complete, however, during construction some of the interior was damaged by rain. Chief Bennett is working with the roofing company to cover the repair costs of the damage. Chief Easton also confirmed that the roof is complete at the administration building and Station 74 is scheduled, and the final building required for roof replacement. A small discussion ensued.

Chief Easton updated the Board on the repairs to Truck 75 that was involved in a vehicle accident earlier this year. He went onto explain that all the repairs are complete, and all repairs were covered under the department insurance. He confirmed that Truck 75 is back in service.

Chief Easton spoke to the Board about two changes needed to the Prevention Ordinance 2023-01. He went onto explain that Section 20: Board of Appeals has been revised to designate respective building department counties for aggrievances rather than EAFCD create a Board of Appeals. Chief Easton also explained two additional notations have been added to the bottom of Page 19, Table 22.3 regarding additional costs and pricing. A small discussion ensued. Mr. Kimberlin made a motion to approve the changes. It was seconded by Mr. Knauf and the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Easton spoke to the Board about the Bargaining Agreement. He confirmed that the negotiations dates are set for August 1st, 5th and 8th at 1:00pm and will be held at the EAFCD conference room. A small discussion ensued. Chief Easton and the Board agreed to hold a shade meeting following the August meeting to discuss the potential agreement and costs.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Easton spoke to the Board about obtaining a new Fire Inspector vehicle. He went onto explain that the position for the second Fire Inspector is currently listed and though the position hasn't been filled, obtaining a vehicle will take a great deal of time to acquire. Therefore, Chief Easton requested the Board approve the purchase of a truck equal to or similar value to the current vehicles utilized by the Fire Prevention department. Mr. Loisell made a motion to approve the purchase. It was seconded by Mr. Kimberlin and the motion passed unanimously.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

No public comment.

DVP COMMENT:

No DVP comment.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Mr. Kimberlin had a question regarding the new generators and the current storms. Chief Bennett confirmed that lightning had damaged the generator at the administration building. However, it's since been repaired and everything was covered under warranty.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34am.

Ronald Davison, Chairman	DATED:	08/28/2024
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