**Fire Commission Meeting**

**Immokalee Fire Control District**

**Board Meeting**

April 16, 2015

These Minutes are a summary of the meeting. Any further information can be obtained by the tape. The minutes will follow the order of the Agenda.

Present Commissioners: Anderson, Goodnight, Keen. Commissioner Olesky will be late; Chief Paul Anderson, Board Attorney Kenneth Thompson, Leo Rodgers, Alma R. Valladares and Jay Roth.

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:20pm by Commission Chair Goodnight and being held at Ave Maria and just to mention that our meeting room is being used at the meantime so, we are in the next building in a conference room.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Lead by Commissioner Goodnight

1. **Moment of Silence**

Lead by Commissioner Goodnight

1. **Proof of Publication**

Copy of publication confirmation included in Commission packet

1. **Establish a Quorum**

Quorum established by Commissioner Goodnight

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Goodnight mentioned if there were any changes to the Agenda. Chief Anderson mentioned that when we get to Old Business he would like to discuss items 1 and 2 together they’re related. **Commissioner Anderson motioned to approve the Agenda with the approval of what Chief Anderson mentioned and Seconded by Commissioner Keen. Motion carries unanimously.**

Commissioner Goodnight mentioned to move up the Swearing in new Commissioner before the minutes. Commissioner Goodnight read the oath for Robert Halman. Robert Halman agreed. Commissioners welcomed the new Commissioner Robert Halman.

1. **Approval of the minutes of the following meeting:** Approval of the minutes of the following meetings:
   * 1. March 12, 2015 Regular Board Meeting was motioned by Commissioner Olesky and seconded by Commissioner Halman. Motion carries unanimously.
     2. March 31, 2015 Special Board Meeting was motioned by Commissioner Olesky and seconded by Commissioner Halman. Motion carries unanimously.
     3. April 9, 2015 Special Board Meeting was motioned by Commissioner Olesky and seconded by Commissioner Halman. Motion carries unanimously.
2. Swearing in new Commissioner
3. **Treasurer’s Report** was motioned by Commissioner Olesky and seconded by Commissioner Halman. Motion carries unanimously.
4. **Consent Agenda** Commissioner Keen asked about Chief Anderson’s report regarding SAFER Grant when will we hear back from them. Chief Anderson mentioned that it would be until at least June or July of 2015. She asked if we are still keeping all the six guys on the SAFER Grant for right now. Chief Anderson mentioned yes. We have been funding the guys thru June and then if the SAFER Grant doesn’t go through he will have to amend the budget and bring it for the board to approve if the Board wants to take money out of reserves to continue those positions through September.
   * + - 1. **Public comment**

None

**Commissioner Olesky motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Commissioner Anderson**

**seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

* + 1. **Fire Marshal’s Report**
    2. **Chief’s Report**
    3. **Status on Current Contracts**
       1. **Mechanic MOU expires September 30, 2015**
       2. **Mabry Brothers, Generator Maintenance, expires September 30, 2015**
       3. **Lawn Maintenance agreement expires September 30, 2015**
       4. **Seminole Tribe contract expires September 30, 2016**

1. **Union Report**

No one present

1. **Business of the District**
2. **Old Business**
3. Inter-local agreement with North Naples Fire Control & Rescue District for plans review services Chief Anderson mentioned that Marvin Easton has gotten involved with the Fire Code Official’s Office and they agreed that everything is fine and that nothing is wrong. We are the only ones in the FCOO now. Elite is the company doing our plans reviews and we need to get rid of them. He spoke to Jamie French is willing to help us in what we need. He’s offered office space in Immokalee. If North Collier does our plans review they will get 75% of the plans review fees and we would retain 25%. There are two agreements and it’s with Immokalee and the county and the other is between Immokalee and East Naples. He would like to secure our interest in the FCOO. He would like to stay and give them notice that we are terminating our agreement with East Naples as the Administrative District. They will no longer have the authority to act on our behalf. The fees will go to the county and they will in return come to us. Attorney Thompson mentioned that he drafted a resolution that they can read. There is an agreement #1 with the county and all the independent fire districts and agreement #2 is the administrative district. Mr. Lombardo is asking us to meet with Greater Naples to resolve these issues without going to court. The Resolution is the first step to going to court. Chief Anderson mentioned that Immokalee is not responsible for benefits of East Naples employees.

Attorney Thompson mentioned that Mr. Lombardo set a date of April 24th.  He’s agreeing with Mr. Lombardo to pass a resolution supporting North Naples. East Naples breached the agreement and failed to abide by the agreement. Bring back in the May meeting the points of disagreements so we can compare them. Also, he is requesting to terminate the contract with East Naples and to pick a date. Chief Anderson mentioned that we could do it ourselves or enter an agreement with North Collier or go with North Collier or someone else to do it for 6 months and after 6 months we would calculate the fees and determine if we can cover that position.

Commissioner Goodnight is asking for a motion to notify East Naples that the Inter-local Agreement #2 (The Administrative District) be terminated by June 18, 2015, (45 day notice).

* 1. **Public comment**

None

**Commissioner Anderson motioned to notify East Naples that the Inter-local Agreement #2 (The Administrative District) be terminated by June 18, 2015, (45 day Notice) and Commissioner Olesky seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

1. **Status of Fire Code Official’s Office**

Attorney Thompson is asking the board to vote to endorse the recommendations that Mr. Lombardo has requesting that we join in for a mediator to be appointed so that we can resolve this matter. Commissioner Goodnight is asking for a motion.

* 1. **Public comment**

None

**Commissioner Anderson motions to endorse the recommendations that Mr. Lombardo has requesting that we join in for a mediator to be appointed so that we can resolve this matter and Commissioner Olesky seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

1. **Status of Collier Emergency Services Task Force (County-wide Fire and EMS Merger/Consolidation)**

Chief Anderson mentioned that in the last meeting that he attended he told the board that he didn’t think we should keep meeting. That this group has no authority to do anything and was a self- appointed group. Commissioner Anderson mentioned to the board why it takes 8 weeks to respond to a public records request. Mr. Page mentioned to take it up to the Attorney General. Then he backtracked and mentioned that if you need public records request just come talk to him.

* 1. **Public comment**

None

1. **Status of Collier County RFP (Ochopee and District 1 Fire Rescue contract)**

**Collier County Emergency**

Chief Anderson mentioned that proposals were submitted by Greater Naples and Ochopee to manage the operations of the fire services in the dependent MSTU’s. They would manage it for a year and maybe consolidate. Collier County Emergency Services is still running it today. It will take a while to go through the proposals and then they will probably discuss it at the June County Commission meeting.

* 1. **Public comment**

None

1. **Status of Fire Station 32 Property**

Chief Anderson mentioned that he submitted a counter offer to Barron Collier at $2.40/sq ft., and now would be $209,088. They would take it to the board and discuss it and let us know. Also, that he had a meeting this afternoon but they had to cancel that so, the meeting is rescheduled for next week with the University to see if we can build a station on their property.

* 1. **Public comment**

1. **Status of Fire Station 32 Construction**

Chief Anderson mentioned that he had a meeting with the architect and engineering and changed some of the design. The committee and everyone wants it look like a traditional fire house. They are going to re-design it to two story. We have another meeting May 7th.

* 1. **Public comment**

None

1. **New Business**
2. **Revision to District Policy 201, Employment Categories**

Chief Anderson mentioned that we had a Union grievance and the employee was employed temporary while Lt. Mendoza was out on Military Leave. They came to an agreement that he understood that he was a temporary employee among with some other things that needed to be added. The change is to clarify some questions and make the policy more clear.

* 1. **Public comment**

None

**Commissioner Anderson motioned to revise Policy 201, Employment Categories and**

**Commissioner Olesky seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

1. **Purchase approval for rescue air bag set**

Chief Anderson mentioned that when we were going through the equipment list for the Heavy Rescue one of the things that we didn’t include was a complete set of air bags. We have two old bags and need smaller air bags.

* 1. **Public comment**

None

**Commissioner Anderson motions to purchase a rescue air bag set and Commissioner Olesky seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

1. **Concerns of Commissioners**

Commissioner Keen mentioned that we have a couple of guys that are up for the Phoenix Awards and she thinks that is awesome. Chief Anderson mentioned that Tom Cunningham and Derek Neuman will be getting one.

* + - * 1. **Public comment**

None

1. **Adjourn Meeting** at 7:58pm

**Next Scheduled Meeting(s):**

**Next Regular Board Meeting: May 21,** **2014, 6 p.m.; Immokalee Fire District Station 30, 502 New Market Rd. E, Immokalee, FL 34142**