**Fire Commission Meeting**

**Immokalee Fire Control District**

**Board Meeting**

December 19, 2013

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, Deyo, Heath, Keen; Chief Paul Anderson, Board Attorney Kenneth Thompson, Leo Rodgers, Alma R. Valladares, Jay Roth and Members of the Public. Commissioner Olesky not present yet, at an Event. Commissioner Olesky came in at 6:37pm

1. Call Meeting to Order by Commissioner Anderson at 6:03pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Anderson
3. Moment of Silence was led by Commissioner Anderson
4. Proof of Publication was led by Commissioner Anderson
5. Establish a Quorum was led by Commissioner Anderson mentioned that that all Commissioners were present with the exception of Commissioner Olesky.
6. Approval of Agenda – Chief Anderson mentioned that on New Business he didn’t get it in there, but wants to discuss the process for selecting the engineer and architect that we put the RFP out for. He wants to get their ideas on what kind of selection process should take place and what steps are we are going to be including in that process. So far we have had 28 firms request a copy of the RFP. **Commissioner Deyo motioned to approve the agenda with the change and seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Motion carries unanimously.**
7. Approval of the November 21, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes was **motioned by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Keen. Motion carries unanimously.**
8. Treasurer’s Report
9. Consent Agenda
   * 1. Chief’s Report – Approval of Equipment Purchase – Chief Anderson mentioned that Commissioner Olesky

is at an engagement and will join us later. We just finished the fitness and wellness assessment and will begin the program soon. He spoke to Cummins regarding the cost of the repair. He proposed that we pay $12,364.53 and get it fix and get it back. It’s been gone long enough now.

* Public Comment – None

**Commissioner Anderson motioned to approve to pay $12,364.53 to repair of Engine 30 and Commissioner Deyo seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.** Chief Anderson mentioned that the repairs to Ladder 30 are making progress. Our ISO survey was completed and will take 60-90 days for the results. A letter was sent to Mr. Garcia, Bullriders’ Ballroom owner about upcoming deadline. We are waiting for their response. A copy of the draft of our IFCD patch and emblem is done.

* Public Comment – Tom Cunningham mentioned that it’s deceitful because we are not

Ave Maria, we are Immokalee Fire Department. Chief Anderson mentioned that we have to different communities that we serve. Armando Negrin mentioned that we have a logo why do we have to go thru the expense. Commissioner Anderson mentioned that he doesn’t think there will be an expense to change anything. Chief Anderson mentioned that there won’t be an extra expense. There is no difference in cost.

**Commissioner Anderson motioned to accept the emblem or patch that the Chief Anderson presented and Commissioner Deyo seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

* + 1. Fire Marshal Report – Leo mentioned that he had spent two weeks on training/classes. List of the inspections is there. Commissioner Anderson asked about the Lisa Reyes deposition on his report. Leo mentioned that he was subpoenaed to court on December 5th but was postponed for sometime in February 2014.

1. Union Report – Daniel Gonzalez, President was not present but Joshua Bauer, Secretary mentioned that they had nothing to say.

1. Business of the District
2. **Old Business**

1. Approval of change to Wright Fuel Express for fuel cards through Florida State Contract - Chief Anderson

mentioned that we will have no penalties for cancelling the old contract, we only have to give them 30 days notice. We will be getting a 1.45% rebate off of all purchases including parts and service regarding repairs. It comes with road side assistance if we were to need it.

* Public Comment – Brian Hughes asked if there is a list of the fuel stations they can use.

Chief Anderson mentioned that we do have a list of the stations in town that we can use.

**Commissioner Deyo motioned to approve of switch to Wright Fuel Express for fuel cards through Florida State Contract. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

1. **New Business**

1. Discussion and approval to purchase apparatus – Chief Anderson mentioned that we have basically four

vendors that the apparatus committee has been working with him and Joshua Bauer put a list together for

us to compare the four vendors that we came down to. There are various pros and cons to each one.

Pierce is the highest one and it’s his recommendation is to eliminate them. Rosenbauer is in Louisiana and

Eone is in Florida. Eone gave us most in discounts even though it costs more. Eone has all aluminum areal

apparatus. It last longer and the way it’s designed it’s stronger and it’s 95ft, 10ft more reach than the

others. Eone will be opening a full service, suite maintenance and repair facility in Broward County, outside

of Ft. Lauderdale. They have mechanics that are specialist that will be at that facility and Ocala. There is a

$100,000.00 difference between Rosenbauer and Eone quotes. The board needs to look at all the factors.

These numbers come from the State bid contract. Attorney Thompson mentioned that Commissioner

Olesky has arrived. Chief Anderson mentioned that we are trying to standardize the apparatus fleet. In this

purchase we will be trading in the 2 Pierce engines including the one parked behind Engine 31. The three

lower quotes offered trade-in value of $90,000. With this purchase we will have 5 out of 7 Eone engines.

The aerial ladder engine will be going to Ave Maria. Commissioner Anderson asked what’s the money

amount we have aside to purchase this. Chief Anderson mentioned that besides the impact fee money, we

have $1,550,000.00 for the both trucks and all the equipment on them. Commissioner Keen mentioned that she wouldn’t want to spend another $100,000.00 more but would like to do business in Florida. Commissioner Olesky mentioned that he can’t see spending another $100,000.00. Commissioner Keen asked if the trucks are fully loaded. Chief Anderson said yes. We need anything that is on the equipment list. We certainly could get the vehicles with limited to do the job and purchase some of the equipment later. Josh Bauer mentioned that our concern is with our agency being out in the middle of nowhere and segregated from the rest of the county. This is a very manpower intensive when you get into an operation of this type, any type of technical rescue, confined space rescue. If we get a call are going to need the resources from the other agencies but having all this equipment is being able to have something started while we are waiting for everyone to get here. The call volume is low but with the type of district we have out here and the new construction the probability is high. Chief Anderson is asking the board to look at the numbers and consider all the factors and come to a decision on which manufacture to go with.

**Commissioner Keen motioned to approve to consider to Eone because of the location of the repairs and**

**the distance that we would have to go and because they would be better able to serve us if we needed it.**

**Also, because of the delivery time. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion for discussion.**

Chief Anderson is to approve the purchase of the trucks and then we could look at the equipment.

Attorney Thompson mentioned that Commissioner Anderson and Commissioner Keen amend their motion

so that this be specifically budgeted thru the impact fees that they allow him or the attorney to request a review to make sure we are in compliance with the impact fees expenditures to make sure we are in compliance with the process of spending money. **Commissioner Keen motions to amend this process.** Chief Anderson mentioned that the big thing right now is to get the ball rolling on the trucks because there is an end of year discount if we give them a purchase order before the end of the year. The decision needs to be what is going to be the best for the district.

The Board took a short break at 7:25. Reconvened meeting at 7:35.

Steve Kern, Representative from Hall-Mark/Eone mentioned that he spent 25 yrs as a fire fighter in

Sarasota driving Eone engines and never had a problem with them. The aerial part is aluminum and it lasts

longer. Oklahoma City was a big one 20 years ago they purchased aerial and about 5 years ago they

finished recycled those and took the aerial off at Eone and put a whole new chassis, updated the aerial

electronics and put it back on Eone. They saved $100,000.00 per truck for a total of $1 million for 10 trucks

over a 20 year period. **Commissioner Anderson mentioned is there any further discussion before the**

**vote. All in favor of the motion for the Eone with the equipment of $1,571,836.00 pending the approval**

**expenditure from the impact fees. Motion carries four to one. Commissioner Olesky opposes.**

Chief Anderson mentioned that right now we are looking at the color to be blue on top and red on bottom. Changing the color could change the price. Commissioner Olesky mentioned that way we have our own specific color for Immokalee. He prefers a blue engine. Steve Kern mentioned that there will be no cost to change the color.

* + - Public Comment – Brian Hughes mentioned to have a white reflective stripe on bottom

instead of black because it doesn’t stand out with the blue.

**Commissioner Olesky motioned to leave the trucks they are. Keep the color the same, blue. Commissioner Deyo seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.**

Chief Anderson mentioned that we have gotten 28 requests back for the RFP proposal. He wants to submit a proposal to appoint a commissioner to help him reduce the number of interviews. We have to have numerous requirements in it. Commissioner Anderson suggests having Commissioner Deyo work with Chief Anderson and coming back with the criteria. Chief Anderson mentioned that there is a representative from Sweets Architect. Jan-Erik Hustrulid mentioned that he is representing Owen-Ames-Kimball/Sweets Sparkman Architect. He mentioned that they have worked on the Guadalupe Center and are now working on the Immokalee Runway at the Immokalee Airport.

13. Concerns of Commissioners – Commissioner Keen asked regarding the agreement with Golden Gate Fire

District. Chief Anderson mentioned that he sent a proposal to them setting an hourly rate and as we use their

mechanic. Have a cost sharing for one of their mechanic positions. We agree to fund 20% of the cost to get a

mechanic for once a week. Hall-Mark/Eone is going to have a shop in Broward. The closest is Collier County or

Golden Gate. Commissioner Anderson mentioned that he got an email from Jim Burke from North Naples Fire

has an invitation to a formal meeting with difference chairs among the different districts that he wants to meet

at Golden Gate or Big Corkscrew on January 9th or 10th. To establish formal communication. Attorney

Thompson mentioned that he would look into it.

14. Public Comment – Attorney Thompson mentioned that there is a Local function the 1st of the week in January at

the Tomato Man Packing House and the fee is $500.00.

15. Adjourn Meetings at 8:12pm

**Next Scheduled Meetings:**

**Next Regular Board Meeting: January 16,** **2014 at 6:00 p.m.**