

SOUTH WALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Minutes – May 9, 2016

*****PENDING APPROVAL*****

Commissioners Present: Jack Abbit, Tom Cooper, Charlotte Flynt, Maurice Gilbert, Thomas McGee, Mike Stange

Commissioners Absent: Brian Christenson

Call to Order: 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Gilbert read into the record the National Emergency Medical Services Week Proclamation, proclaiming May 15-21, 2016 as National Emergency Medical Services Week in South Walton.

On a motion duly made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Abbit, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the April 11, 2016 Board of Fire Commissioners regular meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Report: Commissioner Flynt read the April 30, 2016 cash report into the record.

Attorney's Report: Rene Youell

Attorney Youell reported that she received an acknowledgment of receipt for a letter of intent sent to Walton County Administration regarding uncollected fire impact fees.

On a motion duly made by Commissioner Abbit and seconded by Commissioner McGee, the Board unanimously approved Attorney Youell's April 2016 billing statement.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Talbert reviewed the 2016 Emergency Response Report which included Beach Safety Response and the False Alarm Fee History Report.

SWFD hosted a free CPR class for the community and it was well attended.

Chief Talbert met with the new TDC Director, Jay Tusa, and discussed our relationship regarding beach safety and offered our assistance where needed.

SWFD completed the promotional exam process to create an eligibility list for the ranks of Lieutenant and Sergeant. Chief Talbert expressed his appreciation of the cities of Gainesville, Ocala, Ft Walton Beach and Crestview for their assistance with our process.

SWFD's Department Relations Committee hosted the Annual SWFD "Spring Fling" picnic at WaterSound Origins that was well attended. Chief Talbert expressed his appreciation for the dedicated members of the Department Relations Committee.

Staff met with a welder to obtain a cost estimate to fabricate the props and interiors of SWFD's conex boxes for fire service training.

SWFD hosted an Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) on May 7-8, 2016.

Staff continues to monitor as well as work on County programs and projects that have an impact on the Fire District such as Business Registration, Event Management, Beach Activities, Beach Vending Ordinance and the Parking Ordinance.

Firefighter applicant testing to create an eligibility list will be held May 27, 2016.

SWFD will be participating in an active shooter exercise at Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast on May 19, 2016.

The next SWFD Board of Fire Commissioners meeting will be held Monday, June 13, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Committee Reports: None

Unfinished/Old Business:

Board Advisory: Impact Fee Study

Fiscal Officer Martin stated that Staff had conducted a survey of Impact Fees adopted by local agencies and by comparable Independent Fire Districts in the state. The results reflected minimal change since SWFD's 2012 survey. Chief Talbert thanked Ms. Martin for her efforts during the survey.

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.