## Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Control District Minutes for Regular Commissioners Board Meeting November 16, 2022

**<u>Call to Order:</u>** Commissioner Player called the meeting to order at 5:05p.m.

**Invocation:** Commissioner DeLacey led everyone in the invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Player led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Roll Call:</u> Commissioner Player, Price, and DeLacey were present. Commissioner Cammick attended via phone.

Chief Mickuleit, Assistant Chief Davis, Assistant Chief Allen, Administrative Assistant Miles, Captain Barr, Engineer Rogowski, Engineer Oake, Accountant Renee Lynch and Attorney Sarah Spector were present.

<u>Setting of Agenda:</u> No changes to the agenda as presented. Commissioner Price moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

1. October 26, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes Commissioner Price moved to accept the minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> 10/22/22 - 11/11/22 Presented by Commissioner Price. Commissioner DeLacey moved to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Price. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Cash Disbursements:</u> 10/22/22 - 11/11/22 Presented by Commissioner Price. Commissioner Price moved to accept the cash disbursements as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Accountants Compilation Report:</u> Accountant Renee Lynch presented the month end report for October 31, 2022 and year-end report for September 30, 2022, Commissioner Price moved to accept Accountants Compilation Reports. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners' Expenses: None.

Guest Speakers: None.
Public Comment: None.
Firefighters: None.

Union: Captain Barr, all is well.

#### Old Business:

- 1. Station 2 land acquisition: December 1<sup>st</sup> at 9am is the official date of the initial hearing.
- 2. <u>Annexation Update:</u> Attorney Sarah Spector updated the board of three additional parcels that have been voluntary annexed. The Board agreed to add these parcels to the agreement that is currently being negotiated. Since Commissioner Dreikorn is no longer in office the board needs a new liaison for discussions with the City of Cape Coral. Commissioner Player moved to elect Commissioner Price for this position. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

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3. <u>Hurricane Restoration Update:</u> Chief will address this in the Chief's report.

#### New Business:

- 1. <u>Election of Board Positions:</u> There was discussion of current positions and needs. Commissioner Price moved to keep everyone in the same position with the change of Commissioner DeLacey from Vice Secretary to Vice Chair. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2. <u>Discussion of empty Board Seat:</u> There was discussion of the vacant seat left by Commissioner Dreikorn. The Board has the authority to appoint someone to this seat until the next general election. In the past the Board has advertised for a vacancy, accepted resumes and interviewed candidates. The Board agrees to continue this process for this vacancy. Administration will advertise the vacancy in the Eagle and the Board will have candidates at the January workshop and meetings.

#### Chief's Report:

- Initial meeting with FEMA for public assistance is this Friday.
- The FEMA tent should be open by this weekend on the tennis courts.
- The District's property insurance is increasing 194% for the current year, due to the open claims.
- Station damages are currently estimated at \$1M
- Chief Mickuleit requested that the board allow him to approve contracts in order to get things moving on station repairs. Commissioner DeLacey moved to grant Chief Mickuleit the authority to contract with companies to begin the reconstruction, with final review by both the District Attorney and Board Chair. Motion seconded by Commissioner Price. Motion passed unanimously.
- Administration is still working on obtaining temporary housing and office space for Station 1. The agreement has been accepted by the county, we have been told that it has been fast tracked.
- Administration has spoken with a few of the Board members from the Elks Lodge. Their initial thought on listing price is \$2 million. Administration will update the Board as they know more.
- We are still handing out tarps, water, mosquito traps and other supplies to the community.
- The District participated in 3 different Halloween events.
- NBC will be airing an interview conducted with Captain Simer and Firefighter Kelbe about response post Hurricane Ian.
- The district will be hosting the Christmas tree lighting event on November 16<sup>th</sup> at Station 1.
- 5 new hire's started shift this week.
- We received out challenge coins we had made for employees and those that aided us during the aftermath.
- Thank you to Pafford Health for providing the island with free care for close to a month. They cared for 783 patients during that time.

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**Public Comment:** None

**Good of the District:** Golf cart parade in Cape Royal will be December 10<sup>th</sup>. Cape Royal hosted a golf tournament benefiting United Way. Basket Brigade has begun.

# Adjournment:

Commissioner Price moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Board Secretary

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Miles
District Administrative Assistant