

KEY LARGO FIRE RESCUE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT

Seat 1: Tony Allen; Seat 2: Kay Cullen; Seat 3: Bob Thomas; Seat 4: George Mirabella; Seat 5: Danny Powers

DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES July 24, 2017 - FINAL

1. AGENDA

1.A. Call to Order

Chairman Allen called the District Meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

1.B. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>

Commissioner Powers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.C. Roll Call

The Clerk called the roll. The following Commissioners were present: Tony Allen, Kay Cullen, Danny Powers and Bob Thomas. Commissioner Mirabella was out of town. There was a quorum.

Also present were Don Bock, Vicky Fay, Matt Francis, Jennifer Johnson and Theron Simmons.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES

2.A. Approval of July 24, 2017 Agenda

<u>MOTION:</u> Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the July 24, 2017 District Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Commissioner Cullen. The Board unanimously passed the motion.

2.B. Approval of Minutes

2.B.1 Approval of Minutes of July 10, 2017 Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Cullen made a motion **to approve the July 10, 2017 Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes.** Commissioner Powers seconded the motion, and the Board passed the motion unanimously.

2.B.2 Approval of Minutes of July 10, 2017 District Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Powers made a motion **to approve the July 10, 2017 District Meeting Minutes,** which was seconded by Commissioner Thomas. The Board unanimously passed the motion.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sue Heim addressed the Board regarding millage.

FIRE & EMS DISTRICT

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4. **NEW BUSINESS**

4.A. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION: Workman's Compensation Insurance

Theron Simmons introduced Richard Caligiuri from Bouchard Insurance presenting a proposal from 7710 Insurance Company.

The District's Workers' Compensation renewal month is October. Mr. Calligiuri presented the following: The current Workers' Compensation Policy probably covers divers, and the proposed policy covers divers.

There are three different insurance companies providing workers compensation for emergency service operations in Florida, and they are: PGIT, League of Cities, and 7710. Florida Statute 440 covers workers' compensation. Workers' compensation helps to provide benefits for lost wages in the event of an accident. The District may need to have a maritime insurance conversation concerning the Longshoreman's coverage and the Jones Act with a Maritime Attorney. Florida Statute 440 protects the employers under the doctrine of "Exclusive Remedy; employees have no legal right to sue the employer when they have been provided coverage under workman's compensation insurance.

The estimated Workers' Compensation premium with PGIT through PRIA is \$43,984. The estimated premium with 7710 is \$44,675 for the Workman's Compensation Insurance; however, for an accurate estimate the insurance company needs to know the total cost of the January 2017 accident. The Longshoreman's coverage is included, and the Maritime Employers Liability and Jones Act insurance is estimated between \$7,500 - \$10,000.

Currently the policies are with the District and not the Departments, both Legal and Mr. Caligiuri recommend the policies be with the separate 501.C organizations as well as the District. The exposure to the District is higher because employees can claim higher benefits. Both PGIT and the 7710 Insurance Company can provide USLS & HW (United States Longshore and Harborworker's) coverage.

4.B. DISCUSSION: Amended Property Values FY 2018 Roll-Back Rate

Jennifer Johnson reported the Monroe County Property Appraisers Office notified Finance on July 12, 2017 the taxable values for new construction had been changed this change caused the proposed millage to be 20.89% greater than the roll back rather than the adopted roll back rate of 20.96%, which was approved on July 10, 2017; and the roll back millage rate changed from .8267 mil to .8272 mil, which is \$0.8272 mil per \$1,000 of assessed value. The District's taxable value has increased to \$3,071,952,142.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

Jennifer Johnson reported the District is eight months through the budget cycle. The overtime and the retirement accounts are high; however, those items were fixed in the budget amendment. The next financial report will provide a good picture of where the District is with the percent of budget used. The KLVFD Account 491.04 Education/Student Text is high, and it was fixed in the budget amendment, and the department will reallocate the Firefighter 1 class for training in 2017-2018.

Theron Simmons reported that he will be transferring to the main Vernis & Bowling Office in Miami, and Matt Francis will be the new attorney for the District.

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6. NEXT MEETING

A Budget Workshop and District Meeting scheduled for August 14, 2017.

7. ADJOURN

Commissioner Cullen made a motion to Adjourn at 6:59 p.m., which was approved by Commissioner Powers.

3rd Quarter Meeting Schedule:

August 14, 2017 District Workshop (District/Dept. Budgets) followed by District Meeting
August 28, 2017 District Workshop (District/Dept. Budgets) followed by District Meeting

September 18, 2017 1st Public Hearing (followed by District Meeting, if required)
September 25, 2017 Final Public Hearing (followed by District Meeting if required)

DOCUMENTS

AI 02.A. District Meeting Agenda 170724

Al 02.B.1. Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes 170710

AI 02.B.2. District Meeting Minutes 170710 AI 05.A. District Financial Report 170531