

Minutes:

Commissioner Mere made a motion to accept the October 17, 2017 minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Nottingham. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0. (1)

Treasurer's Report: The October treasurers report was presented. At this time, we are 9% through the budget year, received 22% of revenues (including cash brought forward) and spent 17% of expenditures (less reserves). Commissioner Ballard asked if there were any line items that we needed to consider increasing in the future, and did I note any issues with any line items? I said not at this time, and that some of the line items have expenditures right at the start of the year, and then we are done with those expenditures. There were no other questions. (2)

Chief's Report:

By Chief Rice-

- Went over all our accomplishments over the last year: Purchased two new Engines, new thermal imagers, Promoted new Officers and hired additional firefighters, New Rescue tools, \$1.6 million in reserves, gave raises to personnel last 2 years, survived Hurricanes, Received the LMTV vehicle, the generator project is ongoing, and we are ready to Purchase a New Battalion Chief Vehicle and a Reserve Rescue Truck.
- We are terribly saddened by the loss of LT. Savinsky, and are still trying to deal with that, and the consequences of his loss on our personnel and manning.
- Congratulations to Assistant Chief John Meredith, he will be retiring after 30 years with the District, and this is his last commission meeting.
Commissioner Mere thanked Meredith for his 30 years of service.
Commissioner Ballard said "thank you, thank you, thank you"
Commissioner Nottingham said "Congratulations"

By Assistant Chief Meredith-

- Monthly runs attached
- Wireless Technology has the VML's and is programming them.
- Commissioner Ballard asked if the LMTV was in the minutes as going to SFEV to be retro-fitted? And if so, are we changing plans? Chief Meredith replied that SFEV is going to come out and compare Brush 1 to the LMTV.

Fire Prevention: Report was handed out tonight, because of a computer issue. He has been working with Mobile Eyes on getting the contractor portal set up. There were no questions.

Public Education: Report attached. Commissioner Ballard noted that he has heard a lot of good things about the Car Seat Event we did, and would like to see us do that again. There were no questions.

Union: None

Old Business:

- EMS Project – they will probably be ready to move in, in January.
- Resolution to Approve Engine Financing- Resolution 2017-05 was presented to the Board.

Commissioner Nottingham made a motion to accept Resolution 2017-05. Seconded by Commissioner Mere. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0 (3)

New Business:

- Purchase of Battalion Chief Vehicle and New Reserve Rescue/Service Truck

John Manson presented his research on these vehicles. They have looked at several other departments, vehicles and State bid lists, and done a lot of comparisons.

Battalion Chief Vehicle - they prefer the 2018 Tahoe with a base price of \$35,853.00

Commissioner Ballard asked if this price includes the light bars, outfitting, etc.? No.

Manson added that the extras to outfit the truck will be approximately \$20,000, for a total cost of approximately \$58,000.00 Also, explained that the bids he has received will be expiring this month.

Commissioner Ballard asked if this truck comes with a better alternator? Yes. Is it gas or diesel? Gas

Reserve Rescue/Service Truck – They are looking at a Chevy 3500 with Reading boxes, single wheel base, gas, extended cab. The base price is \$35,700. To outfit the truck would be approximately \$42,840.00. The truck will have 100 gallons of water on it.

Commissioner Nottingham made a motion to purchase a 2018 Chevy Tahoe , for the Battalion Chiefs.

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to purchase a new Battalion Chief Vehicle, giving administration the ability to spend up to \$60,000 on this vehicle, as budgeted.

Seconded by Commissioner Mere. The motion was put to vote, and the vote was 2-1, Commissioner Nottingham voted no. The motion was approved.

Commissioner Mere made a motion to purchase a new 2018 Chevrolet 3500 Extended cab Pickup for a Reserve Vehicle, giving administration the ability to spend up to \$60,000, as budgeted. Seconded by Commissioner Ballard. The motion was put to vote, and the vote was 2-1, Commissioner Nottingham voted no. The motion was approved.

Commissioner Items:

Ballard-

- Christmas Party is December 14, 2017 at 6:30 pm, at Applebee's.
- Wednesday, November 29 is the ground breaking ceremony for the new Library
- There is now a Lee County interactive website, to report flooding issues.

Nottingham – does not agree with Public Input being placed at the beginning of the Agenda, and would like to see where this is stated in the Statutes? Monique said she will get it to him.

Community Goodwill & Thank You:

Lehigh Acres Fire

Commissioner Mere made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ballard. All were in favor and it was approved by the Board, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. October 17, 2017 minutes
2. October Treasurers Report
3. Resolution 2017-05