

Iona McGregor Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners Minutes

February 17, 2010

6:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order 6:02p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer observed

Roll Call: Present – Chairman Lees, Vice Chairman Taylor, Secretary/Treasurer Dorsett, Commissioner Barbosa, Commissioner Brown, Attorney Pringle, Chief Elliott, members of Iona McGregor staff read into record by Chairman Lees

Approval of Minutes – January 20, 2010

Motion (4574) to approve minutes made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Dorsett... passed.

Approval of Treasurers Report – January, 2010

Motion (4575) to approve treasurers report made by Commissioner Brown , seconded by Commissioner Dorsett...passed.

Agenda Items Requiring Action

- 1) Electronic Communication Policy – Elected Officials
- 2) SEA 2007-2008
- 3) WalMart Truck Access
- 4) Bylaws
- 5) Fire Fee Resolution
- 6) MDA Boot Drive
- 7) Team Iona Outing

Adoption of Agenda

Motion (4576) to adopt Agenda made by Commissioner Brown, seconded Commissioner Dorsett...carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items - none

Chief's Report –

Chief's Report was included in packet for review. Chief added the Treasurers Report showed a line item has been added to reflect the Budget Stabilization reserves. Spending appears in line. Working on closeout of grant for Opticom – everyone has paid their share. Station 75 close-out is almost complete. Appreciate Board taking time to listen to presentations yesterday.

Division/Committee Reports

DC Jorgensen – closest AVL (automatic vehicle locator) unit response is being initiated. Lessen on-time (90% time) based upon where unit coming from. Closest to engine response for South Trail on confirmed structure fire possible, not right away. We have been preparing for this change for a while. Some discussion regarding closest response occurred.

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Attorney Report –

Fire fee resolution is prepared and notice has been placed for adoption this evening. If not adopted by February 28th, we will not be able to put on this year's election.

Unfinished Business

1) Bylaws

Copies of bylaws were included in packets. We are looking at piece meal for a set of policies regarding the Commission. We do currently have bylaws; however, we are not operating under them. If bylaws are in effect, Board should take action to rescind some or all of the bylaws, per Attorney Pringle.

Attorney Pringle instructed to advertise the rescinding/repealing of current bylaws as expeditiously as possible and assist Chair in establishing new meeting procedure policy.

2) Fire Fee Resolution

Motion (4577) to adopt Resolution 2010-02 “A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE IONA MCGREGOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT (DISTRICT), LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; STATING ITS INTENT TO POSSIBLY USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS FOR MORE THAN ONE YEAR LEVIED WITHIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING A LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE REAL PROPERTY SUBJECT OF THE LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.” as read into record by Attorney Pringle made by Commissioner Dorsett, seconded Commissioner Brown...

Roll Vote: Commissioner Dorsett – Yes
 Commissioner Lees – Yes
 Commissioner Taylor – Yes
 Commissioner Brown – Yes
 Commissioner Barbosa – Yes

Motion to adopt resolution passed with unanimous vote.

New Business

1) Electronic Communication Policy – Elected Officials

Chief discussed the reasoning for the need of a policy. Chair stated that this could be included in the Commission rules of engagement policies etc... This draft was compiled by looking at other policies from other agencies. Attorney Pringle stated that it is not the duty of counsel to impose policies on Commissioners; however, the document presented has been reviewed. Policy can be adopted by resolution at next meeting. Commissioner Dorsett questioned if there should be a self-report to Chief or other party in case of erroneous occurrence. Discussion of computer uses was discussed by Attorney Pringle. Chair stated that it should be also used as research tool and

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have ability to view or visit websites such as Lee County, FASD, and such. Attorney Pringle stated that it would be in the duty of Commission.

2) SEA 2007-2008

Discussion concerning the report was done. Draft was submitted to all. **Motion** (4579) to accept the 2007-2008 SEA report made by Commissioner Lees, seconded Brown... carries.

3) Walmart Truck Access

We would need to get permission from 5th/3rd bank to allow changes to the property. Chairman does not see going forward with request. Operations uses the area for pump testing, per DC Jorgensen. Letter to Walmart will be drafted by Chair and proofed by Attorney Pringle.

4) MDA Boot Drive

Motion (4580) to approve the firefighters participating in the MDA boot drive made by Commissioner Dorsett and seconded by Commissioner Brown... passed.

5) Team Iona Outing – **Item addressed first.**

FF McMillion presented a summary of the Team Picnic committee report. The committee is asking for \$2800.00 from District for the cost of the picnic. Morale booster is intangible to cost/value. In addition to food, the amount would go towards Garden sponsorship of \$50.00 for a year at Lakes Park, and a brick (\$50) would have Iona McGregor 2010 Family Day on it and would be permanent. Each shift will be responsible in the meal preparation and supply. Everyone is on board with this. B shift will be on duty and rotating shifts does not allow for all to participate. We are working through operations to have coverage from South Trail to allow our crews to attend. Commissioner Lees is working with the grill supplies and Publix for food. Also looking for District photo to be taken, and photo image would be placed on cake. Bounce House, clowns, face painting, and other activities planned for a fun filled day.

Motion (4578) to approve up to \$2800 for the Team Picnic made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Dorsett... carries.

DVP Report –

Everything is moving right along. Cynthia had a meeting with CIGNA, problems are slowing down and survey participation will be forthcoming.

Public Comment – non agenda items –

PEIRO McMahan asked that we keep the Juntikkas in our thoughts, and shared Patty Juntikka was taken to Gulf Coast Hospital with heart attack symptoms. Extensive testing was done and she has been released from hospital. DC Jorgensen recognized and congratulated Dee Rickard on her engagement.

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Commissioner Comments –

Team Iona outing – Chair has earmarked \$100 of his salary to the cause. If interested in contributing to this, please see Sue. Checks should be made payable to District and Team Picnic should be noted in the memo field, per FD Baker.

FASD Conference travel – stay one night – was discussed by Chief.

Adjournment –

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded Commissioner Barbosa... passed.

Meeting adjourned 6:53p.m.