



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 14, 2006**

MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 10, 2006 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Morris opened the meeting at 6:12 p.m.
Silent Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Akins, Commissioner Levy, Commissioner Morris and Commissioner Sassano were present. Commissioner Schweers was absent.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK RESOLUTION

Chief Siegfried read the Resolution. Commissioner Sassano made a motion to adopt Resolution 2007-01, Commissioner Akins seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Deputy Chief Siegfried presented the Board with the Residential Fire Safety Institute 2005 Life Safety Achievement Award presented to Estero Fire Rescue in recognition of our work to keep our community free of deaths from fire in the year 2005. The Residential Fire Safety Institute is a public interest group dedicated to reducing residential fire deaths and injuries through the advocacy of fire sprinklers, smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and teaching fire-safe behavior.

STAFF PRESENTATION

Lt. Brann and Lt. Coulter gave a brief presentation on the Estero Fire Rescue Explorers Post 1964 and a review of the past year as well as what the Explorers are currently involved with.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comments were made.

ITEMS TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Commissioner Levy requested to pull Consent Agenda Item 1.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Sassano made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 2-7 as presented. Commissioner Akins seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Levy asked to have Consent Agenda Item 1 amended to reflect the roll call indicating his absence. Commissioner Akins made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 1 amended to reflect the roll call of the regular meeting. Commissioner Sassano seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Morris moved to the Walk-on Item.

WALK-ON ITEMS

- 1. PROVIDE DIRECTION TO MANAGEMENT REGARDING THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM MUNIFINANCIAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,500 FOR THE PREPARATION OF A 5 YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN.** Finance Director April White introduced Lee Evett of Munifinancial to answer the questions of the board. Commissioner Akins stated that she was disappointed that the board has been left out of the planning process until the end and would like the board to attend the workshops throughout the preparation of the 5 year financial plan. Mr. Evett explained that Munifinancial is available to meet with the board at any time. Commissioner Levy disagreed that the board does not need to be involved in the entire process; that this is a document prepared by the staff and presented to the board closer to the completion of the document at the scheduled February 27 workshop. *After much discussion, Commissioner Sassano made a motion to approve walk on item 1 as presented. Commissioner Levy seconded. Commissioner Akins and Commissioner Morris opposed. Motion was denied.* Commissioner Akins made a recommendation to run the RFP again to try to get more interest. Commissioner Levy stated that an extension would only cause time constraints on EFR. Commissioner Levy requested Commissioner Morris explain his opposition to the motion. Commissioner Morris thinks the commissioners need more information; too early to make this decision today. Commissioner Morris would like the staff to prepare a preliminary 5 year financial plan between now and the next board meeting; a want list of some kind. Finance Director April White commented that that would be virtually impossible. *After further discussion, Commissioner Akins made a motion to accept the proposal from Munifinancial for \$72,500 for the preparation of a 5 year financial plan and authorize the Chairman of the board to accept/sign the contract subject to the review by counsel. Commissioner Sassano seconded, all in were favor, motion carried.*

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

- 1. APPROVE THE PROPERTY AND GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE PREMIUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$84,523 FOR FY 2006-2007.** Chief Lindsey gave a brief explanation. *After discussion, Commissioner Sassano made a motion to approve Administrative Agenda Item 1. Commissioner Levy seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*
- 2. APPROVE THE WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE PREMIUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$315,764 FOR FY 2006-2007.** Chief Lindsey gave a brief explanation. *After discussion, Commissioner Levy made a motion to approve Administrative Agenda Item 2. Commissioner Sassano seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*
- 3. APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$160,000 FOR OT AND VEHICLE MAINTENANCE; NECESSARY DUE TO THE UNANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES.** Finance Director April White gave a brief explanation as to the unanticipated expenditures. *Commissioner Akins made a motion to approve Administrative Agenda Item 3. Commissioner Sassano seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*
- 4. APPOINT REPLACEMENT AS THE PRIMARY REPRESENTATIVE FOR EFR TO THE ESTERO COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY LEADERS.** Chief Lindsey gave a brief explanation. *Commissioner Levy made a motion to approve Administrative Agenda Item 4. Commissioner Akins seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

No commissioner items.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- The First Annual Life and Safety Day was held at Miromar Outlets on Saturday, October 7. Chief Lindsey commended Public Education Manager Susan Lindenmuth on a job well done in putting together this event.
- Changes within the organization and open to any questions from the board.
- Lieutenants up through the Fire Chief attended a Project Management Class
- Two lieutenants and one firefighter attended Weapons of Mass Destruction Training in Anniston Alabama
- September Monthly Report

Commissioner Levy made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Sassano seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle M. Sassano, Secretary