

**WEST MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

*Minutes of June 15, 2021
Administration Building and via Zoom*

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: Promotion to 1st Class Firefighter Cameron Frazier

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. with the following members present: Larry Jennis, Robert Bennett, George Harris and Al Robinson. David Bishop was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence and the oath.

CHANGES TO AGENDA: Adding to New Business – Utility Easement Agreement with City of Bradenton

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Harris motioned to approve consent agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Bennett; motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

CARRIED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None

OLD BUSINESS:

A. *Administration Building:* Chief Rigney reported that there are a few things left in the punch list. The generator should be delivered by the end of July. We received 4 fence quotes and the lowest is around \$32,000. We had estimated around \$40,000 during the budget workshop. Chief Rigney stated he would like to have this removed from agenda. Chairman Jennis stated it could now be removed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. *Collective Bargaining Agreement:* IAFF Local 2546 President Phil Vets thanked the board for the support over the last 6 years. He also thanked DVP Bowen for all his efforts with this contract and his last 6 years of being DVP. He also introduced new DVP Frank Agresta. Commissioner Harris motioned to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between IAFF Local 2546 and West Manatee Fire & Rescue District; seconded by Commissioner Bennett; motion passed unanimously.
- B. *Manatee County Fire Commissioners' Association Constitution Revision:* Commissioner Bennett stated that this is just some cleaning up of paperwork and making a few minor adjustments.
- C. *Utility Easement Agreement w/City of Bradenton:* Chief Rigney stated that this is similar to the FPL easement agreement. The easement is with the City of Bradenton and is a 520 sq ft utility easement south of the entrance. Commissioner Bennett motioned to authorize the Chair or Chief to enter into a utility easement agreement with the City of Bradenton and to be ratified at a future meeting; seconded by Commissioner Harris; motion passed unanimously.

CHIEF'S REPORT: None

OTHER REPORTS: None

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COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS: Commissioner Harris stated that it was a good labor contract. Commissioner Bennett agreed and stated he was glad to see that it went smoothly. Commissioner Robinson expressed his frustration with the amount of money that was spent on the new administration building. Chairman Jennis wanted to thank the Chief and Union for a productive agreement and was very happy that it was finalized.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at Administration Headquarters.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Jennis adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Chairman



Secretary

