



**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 10, 2012
7:00 PM**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 19:00. COMMISSIONER SZYMANSKI LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. INVOCATION LED BY COMMISSIONER GORRIS

COMMISSIONERS ISAKSON AND McPHERSON ARE NOT PRESENT.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Item; Approve the minutes from the regular meeting on June 12, 2012. *Commissioner Gorris made a motion to accept the minutes as written for the June 12, 2012 meeting. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.*

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Agenda Item; Treasure's Report.

Commissioner Gorris directed the board to refer to the cash flow forecast spreadsheet. The forecasts have been projected out to 2019 and reflect a millage rate of 1.6 for budget year 2013 and 1.7 for years 2014-2019. With those millage rates, and assuming the property values remain the same as present by the Santa Rosa County Property Appraiser for 2013, the forecast projects that in years 2014 and 2015 about \$130,000 going back into reserves.

For the current year budget, the district is on track with the budget.

Commissioner Eaton made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read. Commissioner Gorris seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Agenda item; Complete TRIM form DR420 and DR420MM-P and set date for tentative hearing and final hearing in September.

Commissioner Gorris shared with the board that the 1st day of the Truth in Millage annual process was July 1, which is the date that the county Property Appraiser delivers the DR420 form which certifies the property values for the homes in the Midway Fire District response area. Midway Fire District has 35 days to complete the remainder of DR420 and return the Property Appraiser. This form designates what millage rate the board will present for the next budget year and the dates of the tentative budget hearing in September 2012, which are also Truth in Millage requirements

Commissioner Gorris made a motion to submit 1.6 mills to the Santa Rosa Property Appraiser on form DR420 for the 2013 budget year. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Gorris made a motion to hold the tentative budget hearing, as per FL Truth in Millage regulations, on September 11, 2012 @ 7pm. This hearing will be held at 1322 College Parkway Gulf Breeze Fl 32563. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Gorris made a motion to hold the final budget hearing, as per FL Truth in Millage regulations, on September 25, 2012 @ 6pm. This meeting will be held at 1322 College Parkway Gulf Breeze FL 32563. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Once voted and motioned, Commissioner Gorris read the following:

The current proposed millage rate is 1.6 mills. The prior year millage rate is 1.4 mills. The prior year ad valorem proceeds are \$1,925,135. The current year taxable value is \$1,310,418,385. The current year roll back rate is 1.469 mills. The total taxes to be levied at the proposed millage rate are \$2,119,948.

Agenda Item; Memorandum of Understanding, 48/96 shift schedule.

Chief Kanzigg shared with the board that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was an agreement between the MFD Board of Fire Commissioners and the Midway Professional Firefighters, Local 4192 to enter into a 1 year trial period to change the shift schedule from 24/48 to 48/96, contingent upon the 3 full time Battalion Chief positions being staffed. The change in scheduling presents no financial change to the current budget. Either party, at any time, may present the other party with a written notice if so desire to end the 1 year trial period and return to the 24/48 shift schedule.

Commissioner Eaton made a motion to move forward with the MOU between Midway Fire District Board of Fire Commissioner and Midway Professional Firefighters, Local 4192. Commissioner Gorris seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item; Ratification of the 2012 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Midway Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners and Midway Professional Firefighters, Local 4192.

The articles that were changed and negotiated are articles 22, 28 and 30. Commissioner Szymanski noted that the Board of Fire Commissioners had discussed the above articles with their negotiating representative, Chief Kanzigg, in an executive session meeting, which is exemption from FL Statue 286.011 on June 26, 2012. The Collective Bargaining Agreement is effective immediately and expires September 30, 2013.

Commissioner Gorris made a motion to ratify the 2012 Collective Bargaining Agreement. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item; Chief Kanzigg's Contract

Chief Kanzigg shared with the board that his current contract which is a 3 year contract expires September 30, 2012. The contract states that in order to make any changes, the requesting party must deliver a notice 60 days prior to expiration to the other party. Chief Kanzigg told the board that he was very thankful for his position with Midway Fire District as the Fire Chief and has no desire to submit a request for changes to the contract. The 3 Commissioners present, Gorris, Eaton and Szymanski all expressed the satisfaction but with Commissioners absent, the topic has been tabled until the August 2012 meeting.

Agenda Item; SAFER Grant

The current SAFER Grant is funded by FEMA and focuses on assisting districts with re-staffing laid off positions due to economic cut backs over the last 4-5 years. The grant covers 100% of the employee cost, minus overtime, for 2 years and requires the district to maintain the employees on payroll for a minimum of 1 year after the grant expires. If awarded, the grant would allow Midway Fire District to fill 4 firefighter positions in budget year 2014. The grant would fund years 2014 and 2015 and the district would begin to cover the cost in year 2016, which is an estimate of \$146,000 per year. The deadline to apply for the grant is August 12, 2012.

Commissioner Gorris shared with the board that if in 2016, the property values are still as they are now; he would not be able to support this item due to the constraints already on the budget which provide no room for capital improvements and increases to current employee salaries. But, since obviously, we have no ability to predict what the values will look like in 2016 and the deadline is just a few weeks away, he is in favor of applying for the grant with the knowledge that if the finances do not support Midway Fire District accepting the grant, then the district can kindly decline acceptance.

Commissioner Gorris made a motion giving Chief Kanzigg the authority to move forward with the application process of the current SAFER Grant. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report. Chief Kanzigg discussed the district's June 2012 business.

Public Comment: No public comment
No further items were presented.

Adjourn; Commissioner Gorris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 19:50

Dave Szymanski, Chairman

Date:

William Eaton, Secretary

Date: