



**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
July 12, 2011
7:00 PM**

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

CHIEF KANZIGG HAD AN APPROVED ABSENCE.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Missy Scarborough requested the board add Resolution 11-01 to the agenda. The June workshop minutes reflect the direction to bring the resolution to the board for approval. It was left off the agenda in error.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Item; Approve the minutes from the regular meeting on June 14, 2011 and the budget workshop on June 21, 2011. Commissioner Eaton made a motion to accept the minutes as written for the June 14, 2011 meeting. Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion. Commissioner McPherson made a motion to accept the minutes as written from the June 21, 2011 meeting. Commissioner Isakson seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Agenda Item; Resolution 11-01, A RESOLUTION OF THE MIDWAY FIRE DISTRICT OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FL ADOPTING THE AMENDED OF ITEM #2, POLICY #6 BUDGET ADOPTED JUNE 8, 1999. Commissioner McPherson made a motion to adopt resolution 11-01. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. Commissioner Gorris had concerns about the resolution. Commissioner Gorris requested that the resolution be held until the board had the opportunity to examine the original document as a whole, in its entirety, in an effort to update any other related items in the policy document at the same time all encompassed in one resolution rather than addressing item by item in separate resolutions. Commissioner McPherson withdrew his motion. Commissioner Eaton withdrew his second.

Agenda Item; Treasure's Report. Commissioner Gorris was glad to report that ad valorem tax receipts had exceeded the budgeted amount for the current fiscal year. The district has historically brought in tax receipts in the last quarter of the fiscal year so he was hopeful of additional receipts to come. Commissioner Gorris added that the projected carry over for the current fiscal year as well as the next several fiscal years hasn't changed much, maybe a \$30,000 +/- variation. The projections still show the reserve funds to be depleted, at the current rate, by October 2013.

Agenda Item; Recommendation of the Fire Chief on elimination of lower priority calls. Battalion Chief Perkins read the recommendation of Chief Kanzigg as follows: *That the Midway Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners give the Fire Chief the direction to eliminate Alpha, Bravo and Charlie calls to nursing facilities unless specifically requested by the county EMS service, and eliminate all MVA investigations.* Commissioner Gorris raised concerns about the recommendation and questioned the intent or purpose of it. Commissioner Szymanski stated one of the reasons was to save money. Commissioner Gorris felt the financial impact would not be significant enough to justify. Commissioner Isakson added that another reason was to improve response times and availability to higher priority calls, such as fires. Union President/Paramedic Jake Noa added that MFD could be causing more potential danger to residents by breaking traffic, forcing way through intersections, increased speed rate down Hwy 98 with lights/sirens active only to realize once on scene it's a nonemergency call where their services were not needed; the prioritization system designed has apparently been modified to dispatch MFD as emergency calls to nonemergency situations. Commissioner Gorris felt the issue was not MFD responding to the calls but the prioritization of the calls modified and the proper resolve and right thing to do was to communicate with Dr. Landry, medical director and Lifeguard all together with the Fire Chief in an attempt to get the system back to where when MFD is dispatched to a Charlie interfacility call that it is truly a Charlie call and not an Alpha or Bravo call and THEN if no improvement is achieved, we adopt a resolution or make motion to eliminate those call responses. Commissioner Gorris made a motion to pass a temporary cessation of Alpha/Bravo calls to nursing homes until a resolve can be reached with MFD, Dr. Landry and Lifeguard on the prioritization system. No second on the motion. Commissioner Szymanski mentioned that 2 yrs. ago a similar conversation took place and that we were dealing with the same problem again. Commissioner Gorris made a motion to eliminate MVA investigation only calls and Alpha, Bravo and Charlie calls to the area nursing homes, effective July 19, 2011 contingent upon a conversation taking place between the Chief, Dr. Landry and Lifeguard about the prioritization system. Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item; Update from Missy Scarborough on TRIM. The current year taxable value as certified on July 1 by the Property Appraiser, Greg Brown is \$1,381,055,076, which is just under 3.5% decrease in values from last year. The dates for the 2012 budget hearings will be:

Tentative Budget hearing, September 13th @ 6:30pm

Final Budget hearing, September 27th @ 6:30pm.

Missy has verified that the dates do not conflict with the Santa Rosa County Commissioners' meeting or the Santa Rosa School District's meeting. Missy has also received verbal approval from the Dept. of Revenue that the hearing dates are in compliance with FL Statue 200.065.

Commissioner McPherson made a motion to propose a millage rate of 1.4 for fiscal budget year 2012 and to give Missy Scarborough direction to present to the PA forms DR420 & DR420MMP by August 4, 2011 as per FL Statue 200.065

Agenda Item; Approval for GE to hold their annual 5k in conjunctions with the Midway Fire District's open house in October. Commissioner Gorris made a motion to allow GE to hold their annual 5k at Midway Fire District during the MFD open house to take place in October. Commissioner Eaton seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item; Chief's Report. Battalion Chief Perkins discussed the operational business of the district for June 2011.

No public Comment

No further items were presented. Meeting adjourned at 20:05.

Dave Szymanski, Chairman

Date:

William Eaton, Secretary

Date: