Key Largo Volunteer Fire Department

Business Meeting July 9, 2013 MINUTES

Board members in attendance were Ken Edge, Ronnie Fell, Eric Fundora, Dave Gow, Jackie Harder, and Scott Robinson. Chief Donald Bock and attorney Jack Bridges were also in attendance. Membership attendance is reflected in the monthly attendance roster.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Ronnie Fell.
 President Fell asked that New Business, Item "B. Reimbursement Schedule" be removed and replaced with "B. Honor Guard". Unanimous consent was given by the board.

2. Announcements

President Fell thanked the fire department for their hard work over the July 4th holiday. Chief Bock reported the fire department responded to a fire on the roof at Gilberts and a boat fire under a house.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Jackie Harder to approve the June 11, 2013 minutes seconded by Scott Robinson. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

Ken Edge reported: Payroll Reimbursement Account, \$7397.90; District Account, \$4206.25, Corporate Account, \$1350 for a balance amount of \$12,954.15. Eric Fundora motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Jackie Harder seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Legal Report

Jack Bridges reported the only outstanding legal issue concerned the lease of property and lease of the old building. He will contact Mr. Yagel to discuss further.

President Fell asked Jack Bridges if he would be willing to represent the fire department. He stated he was not.

6. Old Business

A. Budget Update

Chief Bock reported the district approved the preliminary budget with no cuts. After running figures again, Chief Bock noted that the volunteer pay was changed from \$301,000 to \$338,000. He also noted this was only the first of three budget meetings.

B. Other Old Business

None

7. New Business

A. New Truck Specs

Chief Bock reported that Chief James Griffith and George Mirabella travelled to Louisiana to inspect the tanker truck. A couple of changes were made resulting in a \$4400 savings. The tanker truck should be here by December; the ladder truck by October.

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B. Honor Guard

President Fell reported that at the fire department budget meeting on June 26 the honor guard had approached them for funding. Eric Neitzer was asked to gather information and reported a figure of \$11,479 for funding of the honor guard. Motion was made by Dave Gow and seconded by Eric Fundora to ask the District to fund the honor guard. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Eric Fundora to table the motion. Scott Robinson seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Motion was then made by Scott Robinson and seconded by Eric Fundora to amend the fire department budget to include the honor guard's request for funding of \$11,479 contingent upon District approval. Roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Jackie Harder No
Ken Edge Yes
Eric Fundora Yes
Dave Gow No
Scott Robinson Yes
Ronnie Fell Yes

Motion carried.

C. Other New Business

8. Membership Discussion

Marc Cuesta broached the issue of the part time employee's benefits (vacation and sick time), stating that the district commissioners had said that nothing would change in the transition. Chief Bock replied that after speaking individually to district board members he was told they were not willing at this time to pay for part time benefits and the corporation does not have the funds to pay for the benefits.

Jack Bridges stated that he had spoken with most of the commissioners who were unaware that the part time employee's benefits were being paid from the previous fire department's corporate account.

After discussion, motion was made by Eric Fundora to ask the District for \$9000 to fund the part time employee benefits pay. Ken Edge seconded and motion passed unanimously.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, Jackie Harder motioned to adjourn. Ken Edge seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

Pamela Johnson Recording Secretary