

**IONA MCGREGOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA**

**DATE: November 20, 2024**

**6:00 P.M.**

**6061 SOUTH POINTE BOULEVARD**

**FORT MYERS, FL 33919**

NOTE: THE BOARD MEETING IS BEING RECORDED AND ALL STATEMENTS MADE DURING THE BOARD MEETING ARE SUBJECT TO BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHERS AS A PART OF THE BOARD MEETING PUBLIC RECORD.

NOTE: ALL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES MUST BE PUT ON THE SILENT MODE PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE BOARD MEETING AND REMAIN ON SILENT MODE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE BOARD MEETING UNTIL ADJOURNMENT.

Meeting Called to Order: 06:00 pm.

Swearing in of new commissioners, Stephen Allen and Jason McCoy, was conducted by Attorney Pringle.

Roll Call of Commissioners: All Commissioners present.

Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions: Fire Chief shares that appreciation awards for separated Commissioners are ordered, and that a formal moment of appreciation is being planned for a future Board meeting.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda, Including Amendments A motion to ‘Adopt Meeting Agenda, Including Amendments’ was made by Commissioner Barbosa, seconded by Commissioner Louwers ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Approval of Previous October Board Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve ‘October Meeting Minutes’ as listed was made by Commissioner Barbosa, seconded by Commissioner Louwers ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Approval of Financial Report: CFO Winzenread opens the floor to questions. The interest rates on Florida Prime and Bank United have fallen slightly. Revenues total for the month are around \$162,000, and no tax revenues have been received this year, this is standard. Total expenditures are about 5.2% of the budget, the District is operating lightly on expenditures beginning into the year.

A motion to approve the 'Financial Report' was made by Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner McCoy ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Chief's Report: Welcomes and congratulates new Commissioners. Opens the floor to questions.

Commissioner Allen discusses the visibility of a graph on the third page of the Chief's report.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Pringle congratulates the new Commissioners. Fire Chief and Attorney Pringle have discussed coordinating a time to meet with the new Commissioners to discuss expectations and legalities of Commissioners. Attorney Pringle requests that they feel free to reach out with questions or concerns.

Attorney Pringle discusses the future agenda item topic 'Election of Officers' of the Board. He discusses the positions and the 60 day time period from November 15<sup>th</sup>, until it must be completed.

A motion to amend the agenda with an addition, the 'Election of Officers', as agenda item three; was made by Commissioner Louwers, seconded by Commissioner Andersen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Commissioner Barbosa discusses the Ethics course, it is determined new Commissioners must complete the Ethics course next year. The new Commissioners will then fall into the Ethics course cycle.

DVP's Reports: Congratulations are given to new Commissioners. Nothing further to Report

Public Input on Business Agenda Items [Note: Prior to Board action being taken on each of the Business Agenda Items below, members of the public will have up to three (3) minutes per person to make public comment on each of the Business Agenda Items after the Commissioners have had their discussion.]

## Business Agenda Items

### 1. Purchase of Staff Vehicles

- a. Discussion of Agenda Item
  - b. Public Input
  - c. Board Action
- a. *Discussion of agenda item:* Discussion depicting 'Purchase of Staff Vehicles' ensues from Fire Chief Comer. Commissioner Barbosa asks when a vehicle of this size was last purchased. Commissioner Allen asks whether the prices indicate the equipment inside the vehicles as well. Fire Chief Comer clarifies that the pricing provided is for the vehicles only. Commissioner Allen inquires as to how the replaced vehicles will be disposed. Fire Chief advised that the vehicles being replaced are currently leased, and are planned to be turned back into the leaser. The future vehicles would be purchased outright.

- b. *Public input:* None.
- c. *Board action:* A motion to approve ‘Purchase of Staff Vehicles’ was made by Commissioner Andersen, second Commissioner Barbosa ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

## 2. BOFC Meeting Schedule

- a. Discussion of Agenda Item
- b. Public Input
- c. Board Action

- a. *Discussion of agenda item:* Discussion depicting the BOFC Meeting Schedule ensues.
- b. *Public input:* None
- c. *Board action:* A motion to approve ‘BOFC Meeting Schedule’ was made by Commissioner Barbosa, second Commissioner McCoy ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

## 3. Election of Officer, Added by the Amendment of the Board Meeting Agenda

- a. Discussion of Agenda item
- b. Public Input
- c. Board Action

- a. *Discussion of agenda item:* Options concerning ‘Election of Officers’ is conducted by Attorney Pringle.
- b. *Public input:* None
- c. *Board action:* None. A previously established motion, during the Attorney’s report was completed as follows; ‘A motion to amend the agenda with an addition, the ‘Election of Officers’ as agenda item three; was made by Commissioner Louwers, second Commissioner Andersen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.’

A motion to establish ‘Election of Officers’ procedure, to elect seats on the commission, one at a time; was made by Commissioner Andersen, second Commissioner Allen. Call and question, all in favor aye.

*Public input:* None

A motion to elect Commissioner Andersen as ‘Chair’ was made by Commissioner McCoy, second Commissioner Allen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

*Public input:* None

A motion to elect Commissioner Barbosa as ‘Vice Chair’ was made by Commissioner Barbosa, second Commissioner Allen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

*Public input:* None

A motion to elect Commissioner Louwers as ‘Treasurer’ was made by Commissioner Andersen, second Commissioner Barbosa ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

*Public input:* None

A motion to elect Commissioner McCoy as ‘Secretary’ was made by Commissioner Allen, second Commissioner Andersen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

*Public input:* None

A motion to amend the agenda with an addition, the ‘December Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting’, as agenda item four; was made by Commissioner Andersen, seconded by Commissioner Allen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye

4. December Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting, Added by the Amendment of the Board Meeting Agenda

- a. Discussion of Agenda item
- b. Public Input
- c. Board Action

a. *Discussion of agenda item:* Discussion of canceling December`s meeting between board ensues. There was concern in cancelling tonight, in lieu of changes between now and the December meeting.

b. *Public input:* None

c. *Board action:* A motion to, ‘Give Authority to the Chair to Cancel the December Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting’ as long as Fire Chief Comer verified no items were coming up, was made by Commissioner Andersen, seconded by Commissioner Louwers ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Public Comments on Non-Business Agenda Items: None. [Note: Any member of the public will have up to three (3) minutes to make public comments on any non-business agenda item topics.]

Commissioner Comments on Non-Business Agenda Items:

Commissioner Andersen welcomes both new Commissioners and welcomes Fire Marshall Mozes. He gives thanks to the District for their support of the community and the Board. Commissioner Allen thanks the Fire Chief, Comer, and the staff in the short time since the election.

Commissioner Allen also requests the status of the Feasibility Merger Study. Fire Chief Comer discusses the phases and current status of the District in the study.

Commissioner Andersen requests station updates on 71 and 72. Deputy Chief Guzman advised station 71 was flooded again due to hurricane Milton. Assessments are being made with multiple outside contractors to provide proper recovery and mitigation to the building. Regarding Station 71s fencing, it is in the process of coordinating removal. In regard to station 72, walls have stucco, and windows are being ordered and will be processed for installation.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Allen, with a second from Commissioner Andersen ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye. 7:00 pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_