



KEY LARGO FIRE RESCUE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT

*Seat 1: William A. Andersen; Seat 2: Jennifer Miller; Seat 3: Mark Wheaton,
Seat 4: Tom Tharp, Seat 5: Marilyn Beyer*

DISTRICT WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 6, 2012 – *DRAFT* (Station #24)

1. AGENDA

1.A. Call to Order

Chairman Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Also present were: Frank Conklin, Vicky Fay, Matt Francis, Sergio Garcia, William Meehan Theron Simmons, and Jennifer Zimmer. The meeting was held at Station #24.

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Beyer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.C. Roll Call

Vicky Fay called the roll. The following Commissioners were present: William Andersen, Marilyn Beyer, Jennifer Miller, Tom Tharp and Mark Wheaton. There was a quorum.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.A. Status: Attorney Request for Closed Meeting 2/13/12

The Freeman Lawsuit has been dismissed. A Closed-Session will be held at the next meeting to request direction for Legal on an outstanding issue.

2.B. District Workshop (Vehicle Replacement Alternatives)

ECI developed a proposed replacement schedule with proposed values and recommended the amount to be set aside annually for funding of the schedule. The Board adopted the schedule; however, the prices were escalated.

Last year Squad 24 was scheduled to be replaced. The department proposed a pumper with a boom for \$600,000. It doesn't replace an apple with an apple. The question has not been answered as to why the District needs a different vehicle.

Legal recommended an Invitation to Negotiate (ITN). Even without the boom, the problem with the ITN is that it still is not an apple for apple. There is a dramatic increase in the vehicle. The questions were asked "What are the differences, why do we need to spend that much money and what is the justification for doing it?"

We don't want to give up safety and we don't want to give up security. Hallmark (E1) came down and reviewed the Squad, and provided an estimate of \$323,347.00. 10-8 representing Pierce, and Ferrara representing Ferrara. Ferrara felt their bid would be lower than EI.



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2.B. District Workshop (Vehicle Replacement Alternatives) (Continued)

Legal Counsel questioned if there was an ITN Committee. What are the options from three (3) equipment manufacturers, then we can ask for a one-for-one replacement?

Commissioner Tharp wants the District to make the best decision for the District and for the Fire Department. The cost should be between \$323,000.00 and \$370,000.00. Bill Meehan would like "to build for the future."

Squad 24 is the rescue truck, and holds 500 gallons of water. It needs ladders and hose and space for equipment, and the department measured the space required for equipment. They need marine grade aluminum, and need to be able to pull ladders and hose from the truck. Prices in the truck replacement schedule have been reduced.

Chief Garcia recommended going with the ITN.

Legal Counsel recommended that a new ITN Committee be established. The Board concurred with the selection of Commissioner Wheaton, Chief Garcia and James Griffeth. There are a lot of bells and whistles that are not necessary. The District wants to spend between \$323,000.00 and \$370,000.00

The Board directed the ITN Committee to review the ITN to identify items that can be removed – and at the same time come up with a spec for the tanker. This will allow the District to release the ITN for both vehicles at the same time. This may allow the District to save additional funds by awarding the ITN to one vendor for both vehicles.

3. ADJOURN

Commissioner Wheaton made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 which was seconded by Commissioner Miller.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

February 13 & February 27, 2012

March 12 & March 26 2012

Documents: