

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners  
Cedar Hammock Fire Control District  
August 17, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brunner at 6:00 p.m. The following Commissioners were present:

Chairman Daniel N. Brunner  
Commissioner Thomas P. Flynn  
Commissioner John H. Stevens

Vice Chairman Michael B. Holderness and Commissioner Diane M. Bennett were absent with good reason.

The invocation was given by Pastor Stan Pavkovich, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Brunner confirmed a quorum present for the meeting. The meeting was properly advertised.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION: Commissioner Flynn moved to approve the consent agenda.  
Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

There was no special business.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Hoyle reviewed the 2017/2018 Proposed Budget – Draft 6 with the Fire Commissioners.

Chief Hoyle said he was having difficulty obtaining an attorney proposal. Commissioner Flynn is the acting liaison for the engagement of the attorney regarding counsel for the loan for the ladder truck.

The feasibility study quotes are coming in much higher than expected and Chief Hoyle recommended holding off for a period of time.

Deputy Chief Bradshaw confirmed the acceptance of the SAFER Grant. We are in the recruitment phase and need to have three additional personnel hired by January 23, 2018. The grant will pay salary and benefits of 75% in the first year, 75% in the second year, and 35% in the third year.

Deputy Chief Bradshaw informed the commissioners the Certification of Taxable Value has been submitted to TRIM. He also confirmed there are no conflicts concerning the district's Public Hearing dates, the County Commissioners hearing dates or the School Board hearing dates.

Deputy Chief DeChelbor updated the commissioners of the continued progress of repairs to Station One.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Deputy Chief DeChelbor told the commissioners the plans to for the demolition of the tower at Station Three will roll over into next year. The project estimates are above what is budgeted this fiscal year. The confined space mock up will be constructed to have a longer life expectancy. There will be a budget adjustment in the coming fiscal year's budget when plans are finalized.

Deputy Chief DeChelbor added an item to the agenda: **Surplus Recliner Chairs**

Deputy Chief DeChelbor requested the approval from the Board of Commissioners to remove the nine recliner chairs purchased in 2014 from the asset list. The chairs have been found to be defective and are being traded in to buy new chairs at a bargained price.

**ACTION: Commissioner Stevens moved to approve the removal of the nine recliner chairs purchased in 2014 from the asset list.  
Commissioner Flynn seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

Chief Hoyle requested approval from the Board of Commissioners to retain the services of CS&L, CPAs as auditors for the 2016/2017 fiscal year.

**ACTION: Commissioner Stevens moved to retain the services of CS&L CPAs as auditors for the Cedar Hammock Fire Control District for the 2016/2017 fiscal year.  
Commissioner Flynn seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

Chairman Brunner inquired if there was any additional new business.

Chief Hoyle added two items to the agenda: **Class Action Lawsuit** and **Insurance Rates**.

Chief Hoyle requested permission for the district to participate in the class action lawsuit and settlement against Barclays Bank. The lawsuit claims that Barclays and non-settling defendants unlawfully manipulated the U.S. Dollar LIBOR rate, artificially lowering the rate to reduce payments to Class Members.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Flynn moved to permit the Cedar Hammock Fire Control District to participate in the Class Action Lawsuit and Settlement against Barclays Bank.  
Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Hoyle received insurance quotes from Boyd Insurance and Investment Services for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. All quotes are coming in under budget.

**CHIEF'S REPORT**

*The Chief's Report was distributed with the agenda package for information and review, along with Departmental Reports, copies of correspondence and news articles and information.*

Chief Hoyle reviewed the departmental reports as contained in the board package.

**COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

There were no commissioner comments.

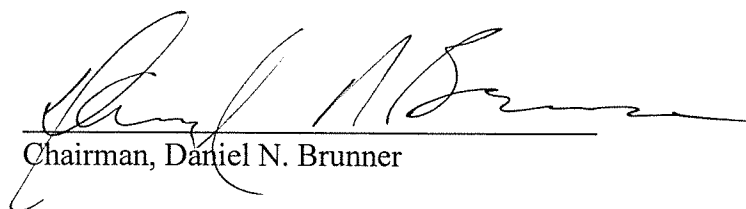
**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meetings of the Board of Fire Commissioners are Public Hearings scheduled for September 14, 2017 and September 28, 2017.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Stevens moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 pm.  
Commissioner Flynn seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Chairman, Daniel N. Brunner