

Avalon Fire/Rescue District
Commissioner Meeting Minutes

Date: 20 November 2023

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Avalon Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Mark Talbott at 7:00 p.m. at the North Firehouse, 5408 Mulat Road, Milton, FL 32583.

Quorum: Commissioners present: Mark Talbott, Paul Hazucha, Steven Carter and Wes Woodham. Chief Sid Wiggins, ex-officio was also present.

Attendance Names: Tom Peterson, Matt Brown, and Kamila Schleicher.

Minutes: Steven Carter moved and Paul Hazucha seconded to approve the minutes of the 6 November 2023 regular board of commissioners meeting. The motion passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report of 20 November 2023 is attached, reviewed and accepted.

Chief's Report: N/A.

Old Business: The payroll approval process was discussed.

The Commission on Ethics personnel information was updated.

The bathrooms at the north firehouse are nearly completed.

Discussion continues regarding the easement requested by Pace Water.

A fence between the north firehouse and the new neighborhood as it relates to foot traffic was discussed.

The proposed bill, eliminating ad valorem taxes, was discussed.

Ladder 12 refurbishment is paid for with LOST funds.

New Business: The district's new responsibility to operate the residential and commercial fire inspection program was discussed. Wes moved and Paul seconded to approve the use of impact fees up to \$44,000 to initiate the program. The motion passed 4-0.

The prior FRS deficit has been confirmed finalized and up to date.

Steve moved and Paul seconded to hire a new firm to perform the annual financial audit. The motion passed 4-0.

The P.O. Box lock has been changed.

The SRC Tax Collector will graciously continue to collect the district's fee whether ad valorem or non-ad valorem.

Cost estimates are needed for septic tank repair/replacement at the north firehouse.

The Christmas party will be funded and the recognition monies to volunteers will be given.

Unused PTO and holidays will be paid by year end.

A joint training demonstration recently took place at Lifeguard.

Bell Lane has a bypass for emergency vehicles during the closure.

Correspondence and Communication: Rhonda Alexander sent journal entry information.

Financial: Bills C-1 through C-7 approved for payment.

Adjournment: Chairman Talbott adjourned the meeting. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. 4 December 2023.



Mark Talbott, Chairman



Wes Woodham, Secretary