

**Murrells Inlet – Garden City Fire District
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes of October 29, 2018**

Board Members Present: Kay Benton, George Oldroyd, Steven Sellers, Booty Shelley.

Others Present: Chief Knight, Assistant Chief Haney, Captain Brown, Captain Zimpleman, Captain Howerton, Whitney Hills.

At 6:00 p.m. Kay Benton called the board of directors meeting to order. This meeting was originally scheduled for September 24th.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: Minutes were presented for the October 1, 2018. George Oldroyd made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, which was seconded by Steven Sellers. The motion carried.

Financials: Kay Benton commented that the impact fee collections were about \$100,000 less than what was budgeted for the year. An increase in impact fees was mentioned and discussion was tabled until the second quarter of 2019. Kay Benton asked about the building maintenance that may be necessary before the end of the year. George Oldroyd made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented, which was seconded by Booty Shelley. The motion carried.

Firefighter's Report: None.

Chief's Report: Chief Knight distributed information obtained from Horry County regarding the number of calls run by the county in our District, and the number of calls run by MIGCFD within Horry County, but outside the District. We will request this information quarterly going forward.

Jim Edbrooke and Brennan Moore have been promoted to Lieutenant effective immediately. The two promoting to Engineer will be announced later this week.

Captain Brown reported that SCBA testing is complete; all 58 packs are up and running. Fit testing is in progress.

Fire Marshal Zimpleman reported back to the board with plan review fee language to waive plan review fees for projects which are in kind replacements due to hurricanes. George Oldroyd made a motion to adopt the modification of the Plan Review Charge Policy as presented by the Fire Marshal with the removal of the last sentence. The motion was seconded by Steven Sellers, and the motion carried. Steven Sellers asked about access to hydrants and whose responsibility it is to keep access clear.

Assistant Chief's Report:

- The apparatus exception report was reviewed.
- The stucco inspection report was distributed and reviewed.
- The jet ski needs to be retrieved from Redline. It will cost more to repair than it is worth. Some work had been completed before this decision was made, there is a bill of approximately \$2,800 due.
- We are looking at a jet ski program with Yamaha.

EMS Report: Captain Howerton reviewed the EMS report. The September numbers are lower due to the hurricane.

Chairman's Report:

- The auditors will have drafts of the 2014 and 2015 financial statements this week. We are still on target to have all years completed by the end of the year.
- Steven Sellers reported the SC Association of Special Purpose District conference was very informative.
- We should have a new board member at the next meeting.
- The draft bylaws are complete. Gene Connell will distribute at the next meeting.
- A budget workshop was scheduled for November 6th at 6:00 p.m.

First Reading of the Budget: Booty Shelley made the motion to accept the first reading of the 2019 budget. George Oldroyd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Old Business: None.

New Business: George Oldroyd reported on the Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Committee. He reviewed the activity of the past year. George Oldroyd made the motion for the Volunteer Coordinator to now report directly to the Fire Chief. Steven Sellers seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Whitney Hills updated the board. She would like to meet with the Chiefs, and spend time with the Captains.

The budget workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, November 6th at 6:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 26th at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Booty Shelley made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by George Oldroyd. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved on Nov 26, 2018

Booty Shelley
Chairman