

**EAST LAKE TARPON SPECIAL FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**BOARD MEETING**

OFFICIAL  
MINUTES

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**January 26, 2021 AT 6:30 P.M.**

**VIRTUAL MEETING IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**PRESENT:** CHAIRMAN KENNEY  
COMMISSIONER DALRYMPLE  
COMMISSIONER BURR  
COMMISSIONER MCQUEEN  
COMMISSIONER CROWDER

**ALSO PRESENT:** TOM JAMISON, CHIEF  
JASON GENNARO, DEPUTY CHIEF  
BEN JAMES, ATTORNEY

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ATTENDANCE**  
Chairman Kenney called the meeting to order. The flag was honored by recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING**  
MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2020 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING.  
**MOTION: MCQUEEN**  
**SECOND: DALRYMPLE**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**
4. **EAST LAKE FIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**  
MOVE TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT AS PRESENTED.  
**MOTION: BURR**  
**SECOND: MCQUEEN**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
5. **FIREFIGHTER REPORT – Lieutenant Kenny Lane**
6. **FINANCIAL REPORT**  
  
MOVE TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED.  
**MOTION: BURR**  
**SECOND: MCQUEEN**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*

7. **OLD BUSINESS**
- a. Marine 57
  - b. All or Nothing Legislation
  - c. City of Tarpon Springs – Negotiations for Interlocal Agreement

8. **NEW BUSINESS**
- a. Pension Update
- MOVE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-01 WITH AMMENDMENTS OF  
“HE/SHE AND HIM/HER” AS NOTED.  
MOTION: MCQUEEN  
SECOND: CROWDER

*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*

**b. Good & Welfare Update**

9. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMISSIONERS**

- a. Commissioner Crowder discussed the recent FASD conference she attended the previous week with Chief Jamison and Chief Gennaro.
- b. Commissioner Kenney discussed the fact that there were both Commissioner By-Laws and an SOG that govern the Commissioners behavior. He said he will be looking into collapsing the two documents down into to one governing document that will cover everything needed, working with legal and internal parties as needed in this process.
- c. Commissioner Dalrymple read the following statement, which he had also previously emailed to Staff and Commissioners, into the Minutes as a personal statement: “While it is the practice of ELFR to wear masks while on duty, the department has no authority over what the employees and commissioners do on their own time. Everyone has a right to make their own decisions. After all the evidence was examined in my arrest in Key West, it was determined there was not enough evidence and the case was thrown out. As stated in the last commission meeting this is still the United States and we are presumed innocent until proven guilty.” Chairman Kenney stated as a point of order that he was not sure about breadth and length of the Department’s ability tell the Firefighters and members of the force what they cannot do while off duty so he did not think there should be such a blanket statement made that they cannot tell the Firefighters what to do off duty.

MOVE TO ADJOURN AT 7:09 P.M.

MOTION: DALRYMPLE

SECOND: CROWDER

*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*

10. **ADJOURNED TO THE FEBRUARY 23, 2021 BOARD MEETING AT 6:30 P.M.**

Submitted by:

  
Katy Cunningham, Recording Secretary

Approved By:

  
Tom McQueen, Secretary