EAST LAKE TARPON SPECIAL FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

BOARD MEETING – STATION 57
3375 Tarpon Lake Blvd. Palm Harbor, FL 34685

OFFICIAL MINUTES

MINUTES

JULY 28, 2026 AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONER KENNEY
COMMISSIONER CROWDER
COMMISSIONER DOWNES
COMMISSIONER BURR
COMMISSIONER PEASLEY

ALSO PRESENT: JASON GENNARO, FIRE CHIEF
ETHAN EVANS, 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. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – None**

3. **MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING**
MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 23, 2026 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AS PRESENTED.
MOTION: CROWDER
SECOND: PEASLEY
Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

5. **EAST LAKE FIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**
MOVE TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT AS PRESENTED.
MOTION: PEASLEY
SECOND: DOWNES
Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.

6. **FIREFIGHTER REPORT – Lieutenant Hyde**
7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

MOVE TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED.
MOTION: PEASLEY
SECOND: CROWDER
Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**
   a. **Station 58 Replacement Planning**
   b. **Fire Engine Manufacturer Lawsuit**
   c. **SOG 105 – Wages**
   d. **Surplus Equipment**
   e. **Florida Amendment 3, Homestead Tax Exemptions, Property Assessments, and Spending Restrictions Amendment 2026**

MOVE TO GIVE CHIEF GENNARO AUTHORITY TO SPEND UP TO $70K AS AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE TO ENGAGE IN A FIRE ASSESSMENT STUDY REQUIRED IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS OF HAVING A LOCAL BILL TO PURSUE AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM INCOME FOR THE DISTRICT COMPLETED BY JANUARY 2027.
MOTION: PEASLEY
SECOND: CROWDER
Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**
   a. **Pension Plan Update**
   b. **Collective Bargaining**

MOVE TO APPROVE TO CHANGE THE LANGUAGE IN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FROMM WHAT THEY APPROVED BEFOR REGARDING THE DECOUPLING OF THE KELLY DAY ACKKNOLEDGING A MAXIMUM EXPOSURE OF ABOUT $25K.
MOTION: PEASLEY
SECOND: CROWDER
Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.

10. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMISSIONERS**
    a. MOVE TO ADJOURN AT 6:15 P.M.

MOTION: PEASLEY
SECOND: CROWDER
Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.

11. **ADJOURNED TO THE AUGUST 25, 2026 MEETING AT 5:30 P.M.**

Submitted by:

Katy Cunningham, Recording Secretary

Approved By:

Mike Peasley, Secretary