

**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

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**JANUARY 28, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M.**

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** JASON GENNARO, FIRE CHIEF  
ANDREW SALZMAN, 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 MEETINGS**

MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2024 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AS PRESENTED.

**MOTION: CROWDER**

**SECOND: PEASLEY**

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

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. Chief Lane presented a Peer Recognition Award to Lieutenant Hittel, Driver Engineer Mansour, and Firefighter Banks.
- b. Oath of Office – After the meeting in the Bay, Chief Wilson administered the Oath of Office at the ceremony in the bay to newly promoted Division Chief of EMS Kenny Lane, Division Chief Bobby Sullivan, Lieutenant Rich Hittel, Lieutenant Conner Wright, and newly hired Fire Marshal Pamela DeMeo.

- 4. EAST LAKE FIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**  
 MOVE TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT AS PRESENTED.  
**MOTION: PEASLEY**  
**SECOND: BURR**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
- 5. FIREFIGHTER REPORT – Firefighter Hyde**  
 MOVE NOT TO CONDUCT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS-SPONSORED DEPARTMENT CULTURE/QUALITY OF LIFE SURVEY.  
**MOTION: PEASLEY**  
**SECOND: CROWDER**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
- MOVE TO REOPEN DISCUSSION OF NEW HIRE HSA COVERAGE WITH THE UNION IN JULY.  
**MOTION: PEASLEY**  
**SECOND: DOWNES**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
- 6. FINANCIAL REPORT**  
 MOVE TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED.  
**MOTION: DOWNES**  
**SECOND: PEASLEY**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
- 7. OLD BUSINESS**
- a. **Agency Analysis Update**
  - b. **Board of Commissioners Sponsored Department Culture/Quality of Life Survey**
  - c. **Current Status of District Investments**  
 MOVE TO COMMIT AN ADDITIONAL \$2.5 MILLION OF RESERVES TO THE FLORIDA FIT.  
**MOTION: PEASLEY**  
**SECOND: BURR**  
*Action on Motion: Upon Viva Voce Vote the motion passed unanimously.*
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
- 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMISSIONERS**
- a. MOVE CHANGE THE MARCH FIRE BOARD MEETING DATE FROM MARCH 25, 2025 TO MARCH 18, 2025.  
**MOTION: DOWNES**  
**SECOND: CROWDER**  
*Action on Motion: no vote as the motion failed to receive a second.*

b. MOVE TO ADJOURN AT 6:44 P.M.

**MOTION: PEASLEY**

**SECOND: DOWNES**

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

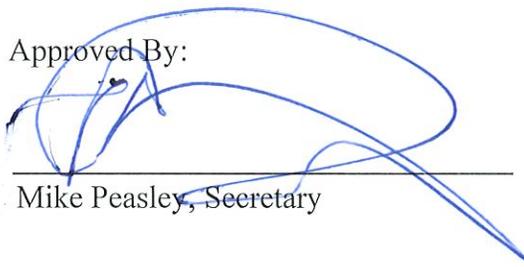
**10. ADJOURNED TO THE FEBRUARY 25, 2025 BOARD MEETING AT 5:30 p.m.**

Submitted by:



Katy Cunningham, Recording Secretary

Approved By:



Mike Peasley, Secretary