

Minutes for the Meeting of
the Fort Myers Beach Fire Control District Board of Commissioners
December 10, 2025 10:00am
Diamondhead Beach Resort
2000 Estero Boulevard

In attendance: Chairman John Bennett, Vice-Chairman Jim Knickle, Secretary/Treasurer Ronald Fleming, Commissioner Jacki Lyszak, Commissioner Keran Farrell, Fire Chief Scott Wirth, and District members.

1. Meeting Called to Order – 10:00am
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adoption of Agenda [Discussion/Approval]

Commissioner Knickle motioned to approve the agenda, Commissioner Lyszak seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

4. Restate Agenda Items [Information]
5. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items - *none*
6. Consent Agenda [Approval]

Items listed are considered routine and action will be taken by one motion; if a Commissioner desires discussion, the specific item will be removed during the Adoption of the Agenda and considered separately.

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2025
- B. Approval of November General Fund Checks 49682-49731 total \$160,311.76
- C. Approval of November Capital Improvement Fund Checks 1092-1099 total \$782,394.23

Commissioner Knickle motioned to approve the agenda, Commissioner Farrell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

7. Unfinished Business

- A. FMBFD/Iona McGregor Merger Study Presentation by J Angle Group LLC
[Presentation/ Discussion/Action]

Jim Angle with J Angle Group provided a summary presentation of the feasibility study they performed. A copy of the study and the presentation can be found online.

Commissioners asked various questions throughout the presentation. The Board and Chief Wirth thanked J Angle Group for their hard work.

Commissioner Bennett suggested Board members go over the study until the next meeting in January and take next steps at that time. Chief Wirth requested a survey of the community over the next month now that the study is available.

The Board took a brief 10-minute recess and reconvened at 12:30pm.

B. Purchase of Two (2) Skydio Drones [Information/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Wirth presented information for the purchase of two drones totaling \$53,842.94. Commissioner Liszak motioned to approve the purchase of two Skydio drones totaling \$53,842.94, Commissioner Knickle seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion carried 5-0.

8. New Business

A. Purchase of Two (2) Ford F150 Pickup Trucks [Information/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Wirth presented information for the purchase of two (2) Ford F150 pickup trucks with upfitting to be used by the Life Safety staff totaling \$105,440.72. Commissioner Farrell motioned to approve the purchase of two (2) Ford F150 pickup trucks with upfitting totaling \$105,440.72 and authorizing an additional 5% allowance for unforeseen expenses, Commissioner Bennett seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion carried 5-0.

B. Purchase of One (1) Skydio Drone Docking Station

[Information/Discussion/Approval]

Chief Wirth presented information for the purchase of one (1) Skydio drone docking station, to be located at the new Station 31, totaling \$86,334.46.

Commissioner Fleming motioned to approve the purchase of one (1) Skydio drone docking station, totaling \$86,334.46. Commissioner Knickle seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and the motion carried 5-0.

9. Fire Chief Remarks [Information/Discussion]

Chief Wirth discussed recent operations staff training.

He recognized the following anniversaries:

Captain Brunson 25 years

Lieutenant Jensen 17 years

Engineer Russell 17 years

Life Safety Specialist Genevrino 13 years

Firefighter Miranda 4 years

Chief Wirth also welcomed new hires Firefighter Potter and Firefighter Alvarez.

He wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

10. Commissioner Remarks [Information]

Commissioner Fleming wished everyone a Merry Christmas and happy New Year. He thanked everyone involved in the study.

Commissioner Farrell thanked J Angle Group for their work on the study and that the study was money well spent.

Commissioner Liszak thanked the staff and the J Angle Group for their efforts. She thanked the firefighters for their work at the Sand Sculpting Championship and the Boat Parade. She asked that the District start sharing the firefighters' community involvement. She wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Commissioner Knickle thanked J Angle Group, Chief Wirth, and District staff. He wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Commissioner Bennett echoed everyone's sentiments and noted that the J Angle Group did a great job on the study. He recently walked Station 31 and cannot wait until it is completed.

He wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

11. Adjournment 12:46pm