DAUFUSKIE ISLAND FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING September 20, 2017

PRESENT: CHUCK HENRY CHAIRMAN

GEOF JENKINS

CAROLE RIZZO BAUM

GEOFF BRUNNING

GARY STEWART

VICE CHAIRMAN

COMMISSIONER

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OTHERS: EDWARD BOYS CHIEF

GINNY TEERLINK ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

1. Call to Order: Henry called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

- **2. Minutes of the July 19, 2017 Commissioners' Meeting:** Henry opened the meeting with a request for approval of the minutes of the July 19, 2017 commissioners' meeting. No one requested changes. The minutes were approved by Jenkins and seconded by Rizzo Baum.
- **3.** Citizens' Comment Period: No one from the community was present.
- **4. August '17 Financial Report:** The August financial report was approved by Stewart and seconded by Brunning.
- **5. FEMA Pre-Disaster Grant:** Boys reported on his and Brunning's August 16, 2017 meeting with Beaufort County's Assistant Disaster Recovery Coordinator Angel Bowers to discuss the opportunity for a FEMA-authorized 75%/25% shared Pre-Disaster Grant for storm shutters for the fire station's exterior doors and bay doors. Boys discussed Bowers' consideration of the DIFD as a good candidate to receive a grant, his and Brunnings's solicitation of costs for the project from three vendors and the review of the pricing proposals of those vendors. The commissioners selected a vendor's proposal and a motion was made to proceed with the grant application and, if the grant was awarded, contact the selected vendor to install the storm shutters.
- **6.** Daufuskie Island Unfit Structures: Boys discussed the disrepair of buildings and cottages in Melrose, those that he considers unfit, his meeting with Beaufort County attorney Inglese regarding notifying owners by letter to make the buildings safe and bring them up to code, the complexity of finding the correct owners of some of these buildings.
- 7. Fire Station Kitchen & Day Room Improvements: Boys discussed upcoming plans to replace the station's kitchen island cabinet and day room chairs.
- **8.** Hurricane Irma Evacuation, Re-Entry and Protocol Established: Henry complimented Boys on his ongoing communication to island residents throughout the impending hurricane and

its aftermath. Boys reviewed the evacuation process, the personnel who accompanied the DIFD to the EOC and the reentry process and stated that the protocol established with Matthew and Irma would be SOP.

- 9. Island Safety: The commissioners discussed the lack of law enforcement on the island, calling 911 to request sheriff response, the amount of time involved in the sheriff getting to the island.
- **10. Next Commissioners' Meeting:** The next commissioners' meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15 at 3:00 PM at the fire station. The time is changed to accommodate the audit presentation.
- 11. Adjournment: The meeting concluded at 5:10 PM.