



Marion County Board of County Commissioners

Fire Rescue

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Marion County Fire Rescue Emergency Services Advisory Board Meeting March 15, 2013

I. Call To Order- 2:30 by Chairperson Pat Gabriel

II. Members Present:

Paul Clark

Chief Bradd Clark, Ocala Fire Rescue, Fire Chief

Pat Gabriel, Chairperson

Randy McVay

Paul Skinner

Others in Attendance:

Chief Stuart McElhaney, Lee Niblock, Bill Kauffman, John Schaefer,
Captain Chris Hays, Lt Rob Graff, Captain Rodney Mascho, Captain Craig
Damien, Chief Richie Maxwell, Chief Bart Walker, Cindy Marihugh, Carl
Crabtree

Attendance taken by: Felicia Grasty

III. Budget Review

Handouts provided

Chief McElhaney explained that the meeting was called for a budget review and that review will occur at the County Administrator level and the Commission level.

- Reduction (20%) in Gasoline account in 3355 due to implementation of CNG and reduction of Wright Express card use.
- Vehicles with CNG will have two tanks – one for CNG and one for gasoline.
- The CNG station should be open mid to early summer.
- \$50,000 increase in Computer Software in 3355 due to electronic access to patient records.
- Costs for Critical Care Unit were removed. Hospital members of the Advisory Board would like to sit down to further review the issue.
- Increases in patient volumes over the past five years.
- The budget is pretty flat across all funds.

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- Rebuild of the Weirsdale station to a different location since renovation would entail going up due to inability to secure adjacent land. County staff identified County owned property south of the intersection where the current station is located and it would cost just a little bit more to build a new station. Must obtain as special use permit through zoning.
- There is \$90,000 identified in both 3350 and 3310 for equipment for the ambulance refurbishments.
- Not adding any positions in 3310, just upgrading two firefighter positions to captain positions to perform administrative duties.
- Clothing and Wearing Apparel has increased \$60,000 due to an increase in the number of bunker gear replacements.
- The department is looking to centralize and streamline things.
- The Advisory Board motioned to approve the budget and received a second. The vote was unanimous to send this budget forward.

IV. Board Items

- The Board will discuss a master plan during the April Quarterly meeting.

Adjournment- 3:33

Next Meeting will be held April 9th, 2013 3pm, Fire Rescue Headquarters
Minutes submitted by Felicia Grasty

Approved:

Date:

Pat Gabriel, Chairperson

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