

**FIRE-RESCUE FACILITIES BOND ISSUE
BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

City of Fort Lauderdale
100 North Andrews Avenue
8th Floor Conference Room
Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301
January 20, 2011 - 6:00 p.m.

Committee Member	Attendance	1/2011 through 12/2011 Cumulative Attendance	
		P	A
June Page, Chair	P	1	0
Steve Kirsch, Vice Chair	P	1	0
Frank Anderson [6:08]	P	1	0
Nadine Hankerson	P	1	0
Thornie Jarrett	P	1	0
Allan Kozich	P	1	0
Patrick McTigue [6:03]	P	1	0
Frederick Nesbitt	P	1	0
Douglas Ruth	A	0	1

There are currently nine appointed members to the Committee. Therefore, attendance of five members constitutes a quorum.

Staff

Albert Carbon, Public Works Director
Frank Snedaker, City Architect
Chantal Botting, Battalion Chief
J. Opperlee, ProtoType Services recording clerk

Communications to the City Commission

None

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Page called the meeting of the Fire-Rescue Bond Blue Ribbon Committee to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes: November 2010 Meeting

Motion made by Mr. Kozich, seconded by Mr. Nesbitt, to approve the minutes of the Committee's November 2010 meeting. In a voice vote, the Committee unanimously approved.

3. Staff Liaison Report

Station 35

Mr. Carbon said he and Mr. Snedaker had met with church representatives. They had some exfiltration trenches to install to get a partial Certificate of Occupancy so the City could begin construction of the Fire Station. He anticipated breaking ground approximately February 15.

Station 46

Mr. Carbon said bids to improve the lighting and the field would be advertised the following week. They would be received mid-February and awarded by March 15. Construction would begin in June. Mr. Snedaker confirmed the building would be Silver LEED certified.

Station 13

Mr. Carbon said they had sent a letter to the State asking them to get Antioch College to give approval for the City to move their property farther under the Sunrise bridge. He hoped to receive a positive response by April.

Mr. McTigue arrived at 6:03.

Station 54

Mr. Carbon said they had spoken with the potential developer but the property was in foreclosure and there had been no movement. PNC Bank had not given any indication when it would release the property.

4. Member Discussion Items

Mr. Carbon explained the Status Report he had created. He noted this did not include the construction of Fire Station 8. Mr. Carbon had changed the assumptions for the January report to reflect that Stations 3, 29, 47, 49 and 53 were complete. He reminded the Committee that the cost per square foot had decreased significantly.

Mr. Anderson arrived at 6:08.

Mr. Carbon stated the equipment costs had turned out to be significantly less than they had estimated so he had adjusted those numbers as well. He had eliminated the

inflation calculation because this was an analysis for current costs. Mr. Carbon had plugged in the new timeline to include having Stations 46 and 35 under construction in 2011. He also planned to buy property this year. In 2011 and 2012 they would bid the remaining three Stations. With his new calculations, they were at \$40,800,000 including construction of Station 8.

Mr. Carbon said he had been looking at property on 3rd Avenue and 8th Street for which the owner wanted \$2.2 million. Mr. Kirsch felt it would not be unreasonable to add another \$1 million for budgeting purposes. Mr. Snedaker said when they had asked the State for a different footprint for Station 13, the City had provided a site plan that included Ocean Rescue on the same site. If they purchased all of the property, they could build Fire Rescue and parking on the same property.

Mr. Anderson suggested moving the contingency fund to land costs so they did not add to the budget. Mr. Carbon said he would change inflation and contingency to 6% and move the money from the inflation column to the property column. The Committee agreed to this change.

Chair Page stated they should add money for temporary facilities for Station 54. Mr. Carbon said they had spent \$272,000 for Station 49 temporary facilities.

Mr. Nesbitt asked about the City selling the property on Sunrise and putting the money toward the Fire Stations. Mr. Carbon said the Commission had been silent regarding whether that money could go into the Fire Bond. He said they wanted to retain the property for the short term for a railroad station.

Motion made by Mr. Kozich, seconded by Mr. Nesbitt, to add an agenda item to elect new officers. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Nesbitt nominated Ms. Page for Chair, seconded by Mr. Kozich. In a voice vote, Committee unanimously approved.

Mr. McTigue nominated Mr. Kirsch for Vice Chair, seconded by Mr. Kozich. In a voice vote, Committee unanimously approved.

5. Committee Communication to the City Commission

None

6. Adjournment

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With no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Next regular meeting: March 17, 2011

Attachments:

Financial Report
Minutes –November, 2010 Regular Meeting
Fire Station Monthly Reports

[Minutes prepared by J. Opperlee, Prototype, Inc.]