

**TICE FIRE DISTRICT
9351 WORKMEN WAY
FORT MYERS, FLORIDA 33905**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 11, 2025

1. Call to Order: Chairperson Cannamela brought the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Tice Fire and Rescue District Station One located at 9351 Workmen Way, Fort Myers, Florida 33905.

Verification of Quorum:

Commissioners present:	Tim Barrett	Present
	James Burgess	Present
	T.J. Cannamela	Present
	Carolyn Miller	Present
	Ted Pickering	Present
	Chief Runk	Present
	Rena Smart	Present
	Attorney Pringle	Present

2. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Chaplain Crump said the prayer and blessing for the department.

3. Adopt Agenda:

Commissioner Pickering made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Vote: Unanimously for.

4. Recognitions:

South Trail Fire District Chief Gene Rogers said thanks to the Board and recognized Chief Runk and Rena Smart for their fine work.

5. Financial Report

Rena Smart gave the financial report for August 2025. The District received \$85,348.69 in ad Valorem taxes, \$1,379.35 in firefighter supplemental compensation, \$925 in miscellaneous revenues (including fire inspections and CPR classes for the Girl Scouts), \$11,633.88 in interest income, \$833.27 in impact fee interest, \$4,038.13 in impact fee revenues, \$53.40 in vendor discounts (Lumen), \$40,179.91 in other gov't revenue (reimbursement for Hurricane Helene for \$15,056.60, Hurricane Milton for \$22,158.59, and the rest of the annual EMS CAM dues for \$2,964.72), and \$3,822.66 in proceeds from insurance (Dressel's worker's comp). The total income for the month of August 2025 was \$148,214.29.

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Rena stated that at the end of August 2025, the District had \$174,427.08 in the Synovus checking account, which earns 4 percent in interest and earned \$420.46 in interest, \$255,414.70 in the Synovus impact fee account, which earns 4 percent in interest, and earned \$833.27 in interest, and \$3,141,351.48 in the Synovus money market account, which earns 4 percent in interest and earned \$11,213.42 in interest; and compared to the money market in August 2024, the balance was \$2,815,719.41. The total expenses for the month of August 2025 were \$371,014.04.

She stated everything was normal for the month, except for the Zoll Medical Corporation lease payment due next month for \$48,879.63 and the reimbursement of impact fees to Lee County Board of County Commissioners for \$16,346.44. Rena informed the Board that the District had total funds at the end of August 2025: \$3,571,193.26. She showed a comparison of funds for this year's total funds compared to August 2024, which was \$3,155,584.89 and August 2023, which was \$2,512,249.19. She asked the Board if there were any questions, and the Board stated there were none. The Board reviewed the bills, and Commissioner Cannamela and Commissioner Burgess signed the checks.

6. Chief's Report

Chief Runk gave the Chief's report for the month of August 2025:

*During the month of August, the District responded to 261 emergency 911 calls:

One structure fire

Two vehicle fire

180 EMS calls

44 canceled en-route

A small variety of other call types.

*Impact Fee Study completed, Lee County is moving forward with implementation. He explained that the District

will receive an increase in how we receive impact fees on each new home.

*Reimbursement of Impact fees: DR Horton cancelled 22 building permits in Bentley Crossing. \$16,346.44

*Received the additional CAM charge from LCEMS \$2,964.72.

*Conducted a three-day Leadership Development Program for new Captains and any other employees that wished to attend. We had ?? employees' total participation; approximately 23 employees.

*We hosted the bi-monthly Lee County Fire Arson Task Force Meeting.

*We completed biannual AHA CPR/AED training.

*Employees completed an Aerial Apparatus Operator course, which is now required for Engineer's, Captain's, and Battalion Chiefs.

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7. Attorney's Report

Attorney Pringle stated he will save his comments for the tentative budget hearing.

8. Union Report

a) District 8

b) District 26

DVP Wooley and BC Gnagey reported for both units, District 8 and District 26, all good with the Union.

9. Public Input on Consent & Business Agenda Items:

None.

10. Consent Agenda Items:

a. Approve prior meeting minutes:

Commissioner Barrett made a motion to approve the prior August 2025 Board meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Burgess. Vote: Unanimously for.

b. Approve District disbursements and required fiscal action:

Commissioner Barrett made a motion to approve the consent agenda items for the month of September 2025 and approve District disbursements and required fiscal action, seconded by Commissioner Burgess. Vote: Unanimously for.

11. Old Business Agenda Items

a. None

12. New Business Agenda Items

a. None

13. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items:

None.

14. Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Miller: No comment.

Commissioner Barrett: No comment.

Commissioner Burgess: He stated I'll leave all and well enough alone.

Commissioner Cannamela: No comment.

Commissioner Pickering: No comment.

Adjournment: Commissioner Burgess made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Pickering. Vote: Unanimously for.

