

Buttonwoods Fire District Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2005

Attendees Supervisors P. Dorsey, Judi Taton; Treasurer: J.Suffredini

Called to order 7:00pm

1) Treasurers Report: Aggregate spending is in line with budget; shortfalls appear sufficient to offset overruns (eg snow plowing); estimated expenses remaining through FYE are \$34K. Treasurer intends to put the '05-'06 budget on the April meeting agenda so please come prepared using the '04-'05 budget as a starting point for your recommendations.

2) Casino Sprinkler Installation: Three piping contractors responded with bids ranging from \$55-\$69k. Supervisors voted to accept low bid \$55k from Fire Suppression Systems of NE which received positive references and anticipates completing the project by the end of May. FSSNE's bid does not include electronic controls (\$12k) and miscellaneous BFD expenses (\$5k) which brings the total project cost to \$72k.

3) Tree Maintenance: Several trees have been identified as requiring pruning or removal. While the associated expense is well within annual budget (\$2.5k) the cost of caring for BFDs aging tree stock is a concern. More specific guidelines need to be established in confirming BFDs responsibility (eg property line, need not motivated by aesthetics or replanting). Dorsey to follow up with C. Alibrandi and B. McCarty.

4) Paper Street Improvements: A resident has requested BBA's permission to develop (at resident's expense) a paper street to gain

access to a developable lot. Supervisors voted that BFD would only accept future maintenance responsibility if the street's design and construction meets or exceeds an acceptable minimum standard.

4) Storm Drain: Annual roto-rooter clean up will be scheduled in April/May to ensure surge water drainage.

6) Casino Committees:

Treasurer - Suffredini/Taton/Greenan to meet: '05-'06 budget request to reflect the consolidation of all income and expenses.

Scheduling - Fitzgerald/McCartys to meet and complete transfer of calendar, forms, interface with treasurer for usage fees.

Operations - Taton/C.Flaherty/K. Falaguerra to meet schedule, interface with Treasurer on budget request.

Maintenance and Improvements - Taton/Suffredini/D.Falaguerra/P.Charland to prioritize a project list and long-term funding schedule.

Note: The next BFD Supervisors Meeting has been rescheduled from 4/17/05 to 4/10/05.