

**Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Control District**  
**Minutes for Regular Commissioners Board Meeting**  
**January 28, 2026**

**Call to Order:** Commissioner Player called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Invocation:** Commissioner Hernandez led everyone in the invocation

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Player led everyone in the pledge

**Roll Call:** Commissioners Player, DeLacey, Price, Hernandez, and Cammick were present. Chief Mickuleit, Assistant Chief Davis, Assistant Chief Allen, Finance Manager Miles, Administrative Assistant Kerr, and District Attorneys John Agnew and Vee Lenard were present. Engineers Darna and Cole, and Firefighters Hayes and Loring were present. Public: Art Castellanos (architect for Station 2) and Ed Keiser were present.

**Setting of Agenda:** Commissioner DeLacey moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cammick. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

1. December 17, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes Commissioner Price moved to accept the minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cammick. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurers Report:** 12/13/25 – 1/23/26 Presented by Commissioner Cammick. Commissioner DeLacey moved to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Price. Motion passed unanimously.

**Cash Disbursements:** 12/13/25 – 1/23/26 Commissioner Hernandez moved to accept the cash disbursements as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cammick. Motion passed unanimously.

**Accountants Compilation Report:** Finance Manager Miles presented the month end report for December 31, 2025. Commissioner Hernandez moved to accept the Accountants Compilation Report. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.

**Commissioners' Expenses:** There have been a few reimbursements for the ethics classes. Still waiting on some.

**Guest Speakers:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Firefighters:** Engineer Cole is officially off probation.

**Union:** Non, still no DVP.

**Old Business:**

1. **Station 2 ITB and grant:** Chief Mickuleit and Finance Manager Miles gave a brief update negotiations have begun with the lowest bidder. However, we are still significantly over budget. A letter has been sent to the county requesting additional funds, but it has become apparent that conversations with the county commissioners may give us a better opportunity to secure the additional funds needed. Commissioner DeLacey offered to join Chief Mickuleit and Finance Manager Miles for these meetings. Art gave the board a brief update on the project.

2. Legislation Update: Attorney John Agnew talked briefly about the legislation that is currently in committee, no major updates at this time.
3. Station 2 Tower Easement: Attorney Vee Lenord gave a brief update; the application has been sent and funds submitted to proceed.

**New Business:**

None

**Chief's Report:**

- Admin Assistant Kerr and Chief's present End of the Year Report.
- Lee County has enacted a burn ban.
- Engineer Rogowski has been credentialed as a paramedic.
- Attorney John Agnew explained to the board that John Miller is no longer with their firm. Agnew and Vee will be taking over the general counsel for the district.
- Chief noted a few fires over the last month. Brush fire in Saint James and a structure fire in Bokeelia.
- ISO has contacted the chief to start the review process.
- Gerry Rossman has notified the district of his retirement in March 2026. In turn administration has been working on finding a replacement.
- Chief showed the board the progress pictures of the ladder truck. Final inspection will be in February and delivery in March/April.
- Chief brought to the board's attention that there is a high likelihood of losing some employees in the coming months. Chief wanted to express to the board that although the contract is closed for the next two years, that if there is an ability to provide the crew with anything additional this year or the next, it needs to be considered. Commissioners asked the crew in the room if there was anything that they felt could be done or changed to help keep people from leaving. Kelly days were brought up, as well as increasing pay.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Good of the District:** Kiwanis 5K is January 31<sup>st</sup>

**Adjournment:**

**Commissioner Cammick moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Sarah Miles*  
District Finance Manager

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Board Secretary