



Immokalee Fire Control District

502 New Market Road East, Immokalee, FL. 34142

Board of Fire Commissioners

March 1, 2021

Reference: Citizens Advisory Board

Citizens and Business Owners of the Immokalee Fire Control District;

It is with great pleasure that I inform you of what your fire commission adopted at the regular commission meeting on February 18, 2021. The fire chief brought before us an Idea of forming a Citizen's Advisory Board. After discussion, we (the fire commissioners) voted unanimously in favor of it and adopted a resolution to form this advisory board. We are very excited about this; it is our intent for this board to be made up of a very eclectic group representing various disciplines within our fire district. This adopted resolution calls for the following representation from our communities that we serve:

- **Two (2) citizen representatives from agricultural organizations that have operations within the District's jurisdictional boundaries.**
- **One (1) citizen representative from a governmental or not-for-profit organization that has operations within the District.**
- **One (1) citizen representative from an affordable housing organization that has operations within the District.**
- **One (1) citizen representative from the business community with expertise in business development, finance, and/or operations.**
- **One (1) citizen who has current or former firefighting or EMS experience, or who has expertise in the provision of fire prevention and protection services and EMS services.**
- **One (1) citizen representative from a manufactured housing development that has operations within the District.**
- **Two (2) citizens at large who reside within the District's jurisdictional boundaries**

This board will be charged with learning all of the Florida statutes, Florida Administrative Codes, National Fire Protection Agency and United States Fire Administration codes that pertain to the fire service. These statutes and codes regulate "why we do, what we do" each and every time we respond to your 9-1-1 emergency.

In addition, this advisory board will work closely with the fire chief in an all-out effort to educate yourself and to become efficient in areas such as policies, procedures, standard operating guidelines, master plans, capital improvement plans, budget, revenue streams etc.

Anne Goodnight, Chair

Joseph Brister, Vice Chair

Robert Halman, Secretary/Treasurer

Bonnie Keen, Commissioner

Edward "Ski" Olesky, Commissioner

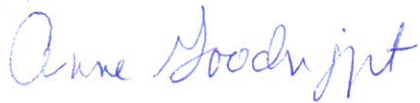
Moreover, the Citizen Advisory Board members are required, prior to embarking upon their duties, to be trained in Florida's Sunshine, Ethics, and Public Records laws, and shall be personally responsible to ensure that they understand and fully comply with those laws, including the need to publicly announce meetings and to refrain from discussing Citizen Advisory Board business with other members, verbally or via electronic means, outside of publicly noticed meetings. The District's legal counsel shall work to ensure that all Citizen Advisory Board members are trained in these areas.

Applications for this advisory board can be found on our fire district website www.immfire.com. If you are interested in becoming a member and think you have what it takes to dedicate your time to help us better serve you, please fill out an application.

The selection of members will begin at the next regularly scheduled fire commission meeting held here on March 18, 2021 at Station-30. Located at 502 New Market Rd. East, Immokalee, FL 34142 beginning at 6:00 pm.

I sincerely hope you choose to participate.

In service,



Anne Goodnight, Chair Woman
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