

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: November 21, 2006 ☒ Consent ☐ Regular
 ☐ Workshop ☐ Public Hearing

Department: Fire Rescue

Submitted By: Fire Rescue

1. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends a motion to approve and select: a) John Sluth for reappointment by the Town of Lantana as Trustee on the Lantana Firefighters' Pension Fund Board and, b) Alan Handle for reappointment by the Town of Lantana as Trustee on the Lantana Firefighters' Pension Fund Board. Both of these terms will expire on September 28, 2008.

Summary: Pursuant to Interlocal Agreement (R97-1252D) with the Town of Lantana relating to the Lantana Firefighters Pension Fund, the Town retained the power and responsibility to make appointments to the Fund's Board of Trustees for its Chapter 175 plan. Any trustee to be appointed by Lantana first must be approved by the County. Interlocal Agreement (R97-1252D) was renewed and incorporated into the current Interlocal Agreement with the Town dated February 24, 2004 (R2004-0364). District 7 (SB)

Background and Justification:

Pursuant to Florida law and direction from the State Division of Retirement Services, the Lantana employees who were transferred to County employment under the parties' Interlocal Agreement for fire-rescue services were given a one time election to stay in the local retirement system or come into FRS. All of the then current Lantana employees chose to remain in their existing pension plan that is authorized under Chapter 175, Florida Statutes. That pension plan maintains a separate Board of Trustees (5 members), two of whom must be legal residents of the Town of Lantana. The Town selects and appoints these two appointees upon approval by the County.

Attachments:

1. Letter from The Pension Resource Center, Inc.

Recommended by: R.K. Slegner 10/30/06
Deputy Chief Date

Approved by: German Price 10-30-06
Fire Rescue Administrator Date

RW
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II.FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2004	2005	2006	2007
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____
NET FISCAL IMPACT	_____	_____	_____	_____

ADDITIONAL FTE
POSITIONS (Cumulative)

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes _____ No _____

Budget Account No.: Fund _____ Department _____ Unit _____ Object _____
Reporting Category _____

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: _____

III.REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

11/2/06 OFMB
11-2-06
BM
10-31-06

11/6/06
Contract Dev. and Control
G. Jones 11/4/06

B. Legal Sufficiency:

11-8-06
Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

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(THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT)



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October 17, 2006

Sharon Burrows, Esquire
County Attorney's Office
301 North Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

RE: Lantana Firefighters' Pension Fund
Board of Trustees

Dear Ms. Burrows:

As you may recall, we serve as the Administrator for the Lantana Firefighters' Pension Fund. This is in regard to the Trustees that sit on the Board of the Fund.

The positions of John Sluth and Alan Handle expired on September 28, 2006. The Board would like to have both John Sluth and Alan Handle remain as Trustees on the Fund. Both of these positions will be for the unexpired term which will expire on September 28, 2008. As their positions are that of the Town residents, they need to be approved by the County and then ratified by the Town of Lantana pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement between Palm Beach County and the Town of Lantana.

We would ask that you please take the appropriate action to have the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners approve the selection of John Sluth and Alan Handle for appointment by the Town of Lantana to the Lantana Firefighters' Pension Fund as soon as possible. Please advise us in writing once the Commission has approved the selection so that we can have the Town appoint Mr. Sluth and Mr. Handle to the Board.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Margaret M. Adcock
Administrator

cc: Mike Bergeron, Chairman
Town Clerk, Town of Lantana
Ella Koehl, Palm Beach County Fire Rescue