

**Regular Meeting and Public Hearing Minutes of the  
Board of Commissioners  
Cedar Hammock Fire Control District  
September 3, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Litschauer at 6:00 p.m. The following Commissioners were present: Steve Litschauer, Bill Espy, Marnie Matarese, John Stevens and Beth Byron-Reasoner.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Chief Falcone led the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**QUORUM**

Chairman Litschauer confirmed a physically present quorum for the meeting. The meeting was properly advertised.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Litschauer asked if there was any discussion of the minutes. There was no discussion.

**ACTION: Commissioner Byron-Reasoner moved to accept the Consent Agenda.  
Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5–0).**

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

There was no special business.

**RECESS REGULAR MEETING-**

Chairman Litschauer recessed the regular meeting at 6:02pm. At 6:02pm the Public Hearing was opened.

**PUBLIC HEARING / THE ADOPTION OF THE TENTATIVE LEVY OF AD  
VALOREM TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 – RESOLUTION 2026-07**

Chairman Litschauer called the Public Hearing to order and requested verification of the Public Notice of the Public Hearing. Chief Falcone confirmed the meeting was properly advertised.

Chief Falcone presented the Tentative Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal Year 2026-2027-Resoultion 2026-07.

Chairman Litschauer opened the Public Hearing for comments for the Adoption of the Tentative Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal year 2026-2027-Resolution 2026-07. There were no public comments.

Chairman Litschauer closed the public hearing for comments.

**ACTION: Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt Resolution 2026-07, the Adoption of the Tentative Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal year 2026-2027 as presented. Commissioner Matarese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

### **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairman Litschauer adjourned the Public Hearing for the Adoption of the Tentative Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal year 2026-2027, Resolution 2026-07 at 6:07pm.

### **PUBLIC HEARING / THE ADOPTION OF THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 – RESOLUTION 2026-08**

Chairman Litschauer called the Public Hearing to order and requested verification of the Public Notice of the Public Hearing. Chief Falcone confirmed the meeting was properly advertised.

Chief Falcone presented the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027-Resolution-2026-08 along with Exhibit 1, which is the Tentative Final Budget.

Chairman Litschauer opened the Public Hearing for comments for the Adoption of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal year 2026-2027-Resolution 2026-08. There were no public comments.

Chairman Litschauer closed the Public Hearing for comments.

**ACTION: Commissioner Espy moved to adopt Resolution 2026-08, the Adoption of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal year 2026-2027 as presented. Commissioner Byron-Reasoner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

### **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairman Litschauer adjourned the Public Hearing for the Adoption of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal year 2026-2027, Resolution 2026-08 at 6:11pm.

Chairman Litschauer reconvened the regular meeting at 6:11pm.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2026-2027 Board of Fire Commissioner's Meeting Schedule**

Chief Falcone presented the 2026-2027 Board of Fire Commissioner's Meeting Schedule and explained the requirements for next year's calendar as it relates to the Truth in Millage process and budget hearings. Discussion ensued on alternative schedules to ensure that the District's meetings did not interfere with the Manatee County School Board meetings. The Commissioners will revisit the schedule options at the District's next Board of Commissioners meeting.

## **COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

There were no Commissioner comments.

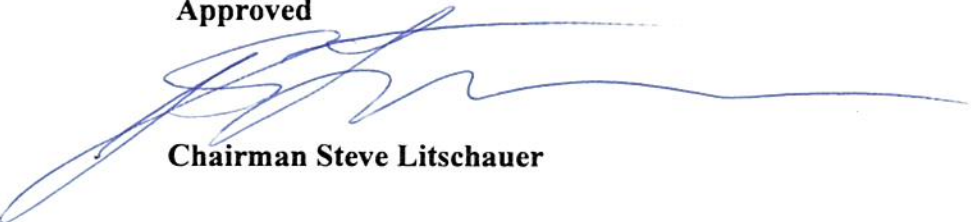
## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

September 17, 2026 – Public Hearings

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Action: Commissioner Stevens made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Byron-Reasoner. The motion passed unanimously (5-0). The meeting was adjourned at 6:32pm.**

**Approved**



**Chairman Steve Litschauer**