

**WEST MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT COMMISSION
EMERGENCY MEETING**

*Minutes of August 28, 2023
Administration Building*


The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. with the following members present: Robert Bennett, Larry Jennis, David Bishop, Billy Burke and Derrick Warner. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence and the oath.

EMERGENCY BUSINESS – “STATE OF EMERGENCY” DECLARATION HURRICANE IDALIA: Chief Rigney stated a Resolution needs to be completed to declare a State of Emergency for Hurricane Ian. The State and County have already declared. A declaration needs to be in place in order to seek FEMA reimbursement.

Commissioner Jennis motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-08 State of Emergency Declaration; seconded by Commissioner Burke; followed by a vote. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Commissioner Bishop asked if more shifts will be on duty during a state of emergency. Chief Rigney described in detail the procedure for extra staffing. Chief Rigney also informed the board that Chief Johnson and Chief Tuttle will be running operations from the county Emergency Operating Center (EOC).

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Bennett adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.



Chairman



Secretary



