RESOLUTION NO. 2012 - 064

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, CREATING THE "FIRE ADVISORY BOARD", FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVISING THE TOWN COUNCIL OF FIRE & EMS RELATED ISSUES, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING THE TOWN COUNCIL WITH INPUT INTO THE TOWN'S FUTURE FIRE & EMS SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE BOARD'S GOALS, OBJECTIONS, AND LIMITATIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1.04 of the Town's Charter, the Town Council has the ability to create committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Town Council's desire for community involvement and insight into the Town's fire and ems services, the Town Council desires to create a fire advisory board; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is necessary to comply with the Town Council's adopted Committee/Board Policy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: The Town Council hereby creates the "Fire Advisory Board."

Section 3: The Fire Advisory Board shall have the following goals, objectives, and limitations:

- i. To advise the Council of fire and ems related issues.
- ii. To analyze the needs of the Volunteer Fire Department.
- iii. To analyze the Volunteer Fire Department's use of funds.
- iv. To analyze the feasibility of creating an independent Town of Southwest Ranches Fire Department.
- v. The Town Staff Liaison shall serve as the conduit to provide the Fire Advisory Board with any information required to perform its services delineated herein.

vi. A Fire Advisory Board Member shall not hold themselves out, in anyway, as being on the Board of Directors of the Volunteer Fire Department, or as an agent of the Town.

Section 4: The Board shall be composed of five (5) volunteers, a council liaison, and a staff liaison. The mayor, vice-mayor and each councilmember shall each appoint one (1) Board Member. Each Member shall serve during his term at the pleasure of the councilmember who appointed him/her to the board. The membership of the Board shall be selected from interested residents. The initial Board Members shall serve until December 31, 2012, and thereafter the duration of the Board shall be governed in accordance with Resolution No. 2007-023.

Section 5: The Fire Advisory Board shall be governed in accordance with Resolution No. 2007-023, as may be amended from time to time. The Board shall meet as often as the Board deems necessary. The Board shall submit, at a minimum, quarterly reports for review by the Town Administrator, which will be presented to the Town Council.

<u>Section 6:</u> **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 9^{th} day of <u>August</u>, 2012 on a motion by <u>Council Member Fisikelli</u> and seconded by <u>Council Member Breitkreuz</u>.

Nelson YES Ayes Nays McKay NO 0 **Absent** Breitkreuz YES **Abstaining** 0 Fisikelli <u>YES</u> YES Jablonski

Jeff Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Erika Santamaria, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Keith M. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney

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