

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

THROUGH: John King, Director
Department of Emergency Services

FROM: Brian Burkeen, Assistant Chief

DATE: September 21, 2017

SUBJECT: Approval of Renewal for a Class “B” and “E” Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc. to Provide Wheelchair/Stretcher Services.

It is respectfully requested that the information contained herein be given formal consideration by the Board of County Commissioners at the next scheduled meeting.

BACKGROUND:

On September 15, 2015, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners approved a Class ”B” and “E” Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc. to provide ALS/BLS and wheelchair/stretcher medical transportation originating within Indian River County. This certificate was necessary in order to comply with Indian River Code of Laws and Ordinances as specified in Chapter 304. The certificate was approved for a period of two (2) years beginning on Oct. 15, 2015 and expiring on October 15, 2017. An application for renewal has been received and the renewal process should be accomplished prior to that date.

The Indian River County Code provides for routine renewal of the EMS Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity on an application by the certificate holder. This can be accomplished without a public hearing if the Board has no reason to believe that the public health, safety, and welfare require it. Staff submits that there is no reason to hold a public hearing and absent that requirement, the Board is requested to renew the certificate.

An application for the renewal of the Class “B” and “E” certificate has been submitted by We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc. Staff has reviewed the application and no reasons are known or perceived that would require a public hearing pursuant to the established ordinance.

FUNDING:

There are no funding requests from Indian River County for this agenda item

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve renewal of the Class “B” and “E” Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc., to be effective for a period of two (2) years from October 15, 2017 to October 15, 2019.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Renewal Application from We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc.
2. Two (2) Original Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc. for Chairman’s signature.