

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

THROUGH: Tad Stone, Director
Department of Emergency Services

FROM: Steve Greer, Captain
Department of Emergency Service-Fire Rescue Division

DATE: October 21, 2019

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.

On October 3, 2017, 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, 2017 and expired on October 15, 2019.

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.

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, 2019 to October 15, 2021.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Complete renewal application from We Care of the Treasure Coast Inc. is available for review during regular business hours (8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday) at the Offices of Emergency Services.