

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 24, 2022

Chairman Robert Hoke called the North Fort Myers Fire Control and Rescue Service District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:05 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**Present:**

Commissioner Robert Hoke	Commissioner Danny Ballard
Commissioner Michael Gatewood	Commissioner Tom Mere
Commissioner Leroy Nottingham	
Chief Ronald Beecroft	Assistant Chief John Manson
Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos	Fire Marshal Rick Jones
Office Manager Monique Brooks	Public Education Officer Christi Kulwicki
Administrative Specialist Avrey Brooks	Union Representative Jarrett Slaybaugh

**Absent:**

**Invocation:** Commissioner Ballard

**Pledge:** Commissioner Gatewood

**Public Input:** None

**Minutes:** Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the December 20, 2021, Regular Commission meeting minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0. (1)

**Treasurer's Report:** The December treasurer's report was presented. At this time, we are 26% through the budget year, received 88% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 25% of expenditures (less reserves). (2)

**Chief's Report:**

By Chief Beecroft –

- The District has remained stable during the current rise in the spread of the new COVID variant.

By Chief Manson –

- Run report attached
  - In 2021, the District ran over 11,000 calls.
  - Completed the PMI's on the Engines.
  - New uniforms have been distributed to personnel.
  - Replaced door handles and locks at all station to enhance security.
  - Station 1 - windows have been replaced with Hurricane Impact Windows.
  - Station 2 – pothole has been repaired.
  - Station 3 - interior and exterior are currently being painted.
- Commissioner Mere asked if the generators outside of the stations could be painted. Chief Manson said this can be looked into.
- Commissioner Ballard asked why equipment for new Engine was not ordered earlier. Chief Manson said that the budget needed to be addressed before the equipment could be ordered. Chief Beecroft also mentioned that the Engine was made available a month early.

**Fire Prevention:** Report attached. Fire Marshal Jones said applications have been received for the open Inspector position and interviews are planned to take place soon. There were no questions or comments.

**Public Education:** Report attached. Christi said that the December Toy drive was successful. There were no questions or comments.

**Training:** Report attached. There were no questions or comments.

**Union:** None

**Old Business:** None

## **New Business:**

- **Election of Officers**

Chairman - Commissioner Ballard nominated Commissioner Hoke. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood.

Vice Chairman - Commissioner Hoke nominated Commissioner Ballard. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood.

Treasurer/Secretary - Commissioner Ballard nominated Commissioner Gatewood. Seconded by Commissioner Mere.

- **Commissioners Electronic Attendance at Meetings**

Chief Beecroft discussed the potential revision made to Commissioner attendance that would allow for commissioners to attend meetings through electronic means without penalty.

Commissioner Ballard stated that he was against the revision.

Commissioner Gatewood stated that he was unsure about the impact the revision would make.

Commissioner Mere stated that this revision would be beneficial during the uncertain times of the pandemic.

Commissioner Nottingham stated he had no opinion on the subject.

Commissioner Hoke requested additional information as to what other districts are doing in the county.

Commissioner Hoke made a motion to table the item, seconded by Commissioner Ballard.

## **Commissioner Items:**

- Commissioner Nottingham – asked if it was possible to remove one of the public input sections from the meeting agenda. Office Manager Brooks responded that the public input must be at the beginning of the meeting and the second public input allows for the public to respond to anything presented by the Board or Administration.

**Public Input:** Debbie Ballard thanked everyone for their help with some community events.

**Community Goodwill & Thank You:**

The Mullin Family

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0.**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.**

**Supportive Documents:**

1. December 20, 2021 Minutes
2. December 2021 Treasurer's Report