## NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## September 16, 2013

Chairman Leroy Nottingham called the North Fort Myers Fire Control and Rescue Service District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:40 p.m.

#### Present were:

Commissioners: Leroy Nottingham Tom Mere

Danny Ballard Mike Gatewood

Robert Hoke

Chief Christopher Noble Asst. Chief John Meredith Asst. Chief David Rice Fire Marshal Rick Jones

Office Manager Monique Brooks
Union Representative James Hagie

Members of the Public

Absent: None

Minutes: Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept August 19, 2013 minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous. (1)

**Treasurer's Report**: The August treasurers report was presented. At this time, we are 92% through the budget year, have received 99% of revenues (including cash brought forward) and have spent 93% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions. (2)

### **Chief's Report:**

By Chief Noble-

- Weekly reports and monthly run sheet is attached
- We have been busy with the Budget
- Have met with a few companies who perform fire assessment fee studies. Have attached a resume for GSG. He would like to recommend a meeting with GSG

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the Chiefs recommendation to sign a contract with GSG, to conduct a fire fee assessment study. Commissioner Gatewood seconded. Chief Noble stated that he could have them come in and do a

presentation to the Board, and answer any questions. They offer a 10 year plan, and several methods to increase our revenue. Commissioner Mere added that we need to find additional revenue to continue the operations of this District.

Motion was put to vote, and the decision was unanimous.

### **Training:**

Report is attached. He has just recently learned that ISO is removing night training from their requirements. There were no questions.

**Fire Prevention:** Report is attached. Commissioner Ballard asked about the water pipe on US 41? Fire Marshal Jones responded that he was not aware of this. There were no other questions.

**Public Education:** Report is attached. Chief Noble reported that we are one of the last Districts that attend Pop Warner Football games, without charging a fee. A few weeks ago, our personnel was there until after midnight. We are still attending High School games as well. There were no questions.

**Union:** Union Representative Hagie stated that 32 personnel voted on the contract. There were 20 yes and 12 no. Basically this years contract was a verbage cleanup, as well as: removing the EMT and Water rescue as incentives. These amounts will be rolled in to the base pay of employees, and for future hires, will simply be a job requirement.

Commissioner Mere made a motion to approve the 2013/2014 Union Contract. Commissioner Ballard seconded. The motion was put to vote, and the decision was unanimous. (3) There were no questions.

#### **Old Business:**

Updates on projects:

Barrett Road Station- Approximately 70-80% complete. Rough inspections have passed. We are now ready for drywall and insulation.

#### **New Business:**

#### 2013/2014 Union Contract Ratification -

Handled under Union Business

#### **Commissioner Items:**

Gatewood - Station 2 (Barrett Road) looks very nice

## **Public Input:**

Debbie Ballard mentioned that the football games, would be a good place to discuss the increase in revenue.

Greg Makepeace discussed the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Lee County Parks and Recreation Center, in North Fort Myers, on Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. He hopes we will be there

## Community Goodwill & Thank You:

City of Cape Coral for Chief Rice

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoke. All were in favor and it was approved by the Board, unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

# Supportive Documents:

- 1. August minutes
- Treasurers Report
   2013/2014 Union Contract