

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

March 18, 2019

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

Roll Call

Present:

Commissioners: Mike Gatewood Danny Ballard
 Tom Mere Leroy Nottingham

Chief David Rice

Asst Chief John Manson

Office Manager Monique Brooks

Union Representative Jarrett Slaybaugh

Absent: Fire Marshal Rick Jones

Public Education Officer Christi Kulwicki

Invocation: Commissioner Mere

Pledge: Commissioner Gatewood

Public Input:

Minutes:

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the February 25, 2019 minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Mere. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. (1)

Treasurer's Report: The February treasurers report was presented. At this time, we are 42% through the budget year, received 93% of revenues (including cash brought forward) and spent 44% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions. (2)

Chief's Report:

By Chief Rice-

- Chief Rice presented Lieutenant Cabral with his Managing Officer Program Completion Certificate, from the U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Academy. Lt. Cabral is the first ever employee to complete this program. Congratulations Lt. Cabral!
- Chapter 191 Movement – this has been removed from Legislature, and the issue will not be moving forward. Commissioner Ballard noted that there has been talk for years to eliminate Special Districts, and this could be the nail in our coffin.
- Moving forward with Request for Proposal for Station 1 addition – working on the scope of the project now.
- Annual Physicals have begun
- Received \$5,000 Matching Incentive from PGIT for our purchase of Bunker Gear. Commissioner Mere asked who PGIT was? That is our Workers Compensation Insurance Carrier. Commissioner Ballard asked if they match what we paid for bunker gear, or is it just a flat \$5,000 Incentive? Just a flat \$5,000 Incentive.
- Have two CERT classes going on this week

By Assistant Chief John Manson –

- Monthly run report attached
- LMTV – was up and running, then we ran in to a valve issue with the tires. Commissioner Gatewood suggested going to Goodyear Rubber Products, because the City of Fort Myers SWAT just recently had a similar problem.
- Rescue 1 – had to have the transmission rebuilt
- Annual Hydrant Maintenance has begun
- Knox Boxes – new boxes are installed in all vehicles. Would like to thank Firefighters Pearce and McHugh for helping to install them in the trucks (this saved us a lot of money)

- Has received quotes for an extra set of bunker gear and the new hoods. The cost for an extra set of bunker gear for each suppression personnel is approximately \$97,000. Also obtained a quote for gear extractors at each station, and they are approximately \$5,000 a piece. Allowed personnel to look at all different hoods, and pick which one they all liked. The consensus was for a hood that has a cost of \$97 per hood. However, he would like to wait till at least next month, because the company that has that hood, is coming out with a new one within the next month, and they would like to look at that.

Fire Prevention: Report attached. There were no questions.

Public Education: Report attached. There were no questions .

Union: Thanked Board and Administration for allowing personnel to participate in the annual MDA Boot Drive. This year looks as it is the best year for our local chapter. Final figures are not in yet.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Commissioner Seat Vacancy – Chief Rice stated we have received a resignation letter from Christopher Noble. We would like to Board to allow us to advertise the vacancy of the Seat, accept letters of intent from interested parties, and bring them back to the Board next month.
Commissioner Gatewood noted that Chris Noble was a great asset to the Board and will be missed.
Commissioner Nottingham would like to recommend Robert Hoke.
Commissioner Ballard stated that there was a Retired Captain from the District, that he understands was interested previously.

Commissioner Gatewood made a motion for Administration to advertise the Vacancy, and bring the letters of interest next month before the Board. Seconded by Commissioner Ballard. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.

Commissioner Items: None

Community Goodwill & Thank You:

Donation from Old Bridge Village
Florida Highway Patrol

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Nottingham. All were in favor and it was approved by the Board, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. February 25, 2019 Minutes
2. February Treasurers Report