

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 19, 2024

Chairman Michael 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:

Commissioner Michael Gatewood
Commissioner Bill Schaible
Chief Ronald Beecroft
Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos
Fire Marshal Rick Jones
Public Education Officer Christi Fulton
Office Manager Monique Brooks
Union Representative Josh Ballard
Labor Counsel York Flik, Esq.
Attorney Remotely: Janette Smith, Esq.

Commissioner Danny Ballard
Commissioner Robert Hoke
Assistant Chief John Manson

Absent: Commissioner Mere

Admin Specialist Emily Grgurich

Invocation: Commissioner Ballard

Pledge: Commissioner Schaible

Public Input: None

Minutes: Commissioner Schaible made a motion to accept the July 15, 2024 minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Hoke. 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 July Treasurer's Report was presented. At this time, we are 84% through the budget year, received 100% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 79% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions or comments. (2)

Chief's Report:

By Chief Beecroft–

- The property at 151 Pondella Road has passed the due diligence period and everything looks great, and we are ready to move forward with closing, then we will work on a RFQ for an Architect.
- Negotiations continue tomorrow
- Working on the Budget for 2024/2025
- We have two Firefighters who are out on extended medical leave.
- We would like to go ahead and add two additional firefighters to next years budget, which will save on Overtime. Commissioner Ballard asked: (1) will they stay employed if the two were to come back soon? Yes. (2) Are you waiting till October to hire? Yes.
- Would like to add an IT Specialist to our administration next year, and will be included in the Budget

By Asst. Chief Manson-

- Monthly run report attached.
- Began Hose testing
- New Rescue is here and being finished, so should be ready to go in service soon.
- Working on next years budget.

Prevention: Report attached. There were no questions or comments.

Public Education: Report attached. Have been very busy with new summer camps and gearing up for the start of school. There were no questions or comments.

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

Union: Negotiations continue this week. Thanked Administration for all the support for the Firefighters who are out on extended medical leave.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- **Resolution for Approval of Purchase Contract for 151 Pondella Road, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903:**
Monique read Resolution 2024-003. **Commissioner Hoke made a motion to accept the Resolution 2024-003, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Schaible. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. (3)**

Commissioner Items: None

Public Input: None

Community Goodwill & Thank You: None

Per State Statute, we are closing the public meeting and will go into Executive Session.

Commissioner Hoke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Schaible. The motion was put to a vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. July 15, 2024 Minutes
2. July Treasurer's Report
3. Resolution for Approval of Purchase Contract for 151 Pondella Road