

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 20, 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 Tom Mere
Commissioner Michael Gatewood	Commissioner Leroy Nottingham
Chief Ronald Beecroft	Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos
Office Manager Monique Brooks	Public Education Officer Christi Kulwicki
Administrative Specialist Avrey Brooks	

**Absent:**

Commissioner Danny Ballard (excused)	Assistant Chief John Manson
Fire Marshal Rick Jones	Union Representative Jarrett Slaybaugh

**Invocation:** Commissioner Mere

**Pledge:** Commissioner Gatewood

**Public Input:** None

**Minutes:** Commissioner Mere made a motion to accept the May 16, 2022 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 4-0. (1)

**Treasurer's Report:** The May treasurer's report was presented. At this time, we are 67% through the budget year, received 96% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 60% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions. (2)

## **Chief's Report:**

By Chief Beecroft –

- Commissioner qualifying for elections has been completed and all were unopposed. Seat 1 Commissioner Gatewood, Seat 2 Commissioner Mere, and for Seat 5 Commissioner Nottingham will be retiring and Bill Schaible will enter the seat unopposed effective November.
- Preliminary estimates from the Property Appraiser's office have been received and there is an estimated increase of 14% of all taxable property within our District. The official numbers will be obtained July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Working on starting the performance review process, reached out to other districts and a consultant.
- The District's FRS contribution is going up 2%. Commissioner Hoke asked if there was any reason for the increase? It is rising along with inflation and the current economy.
- Engine 4 and Engine 5 PMI has been completed.
- Hydrant Maintenance has been completed.
- Remodel of the Station 1 dayroom is scheduled to begin July 11<sup>th</sup>.  
Commissioner Hoke asked if there was an update on the Station 3 plan?  
Chief Beecroft is working with Scott Carter on planning.

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

**Public Education:** Report attached. The CERT program is wrapped up for the summer. Carter's Magic Wheelchair event was very successful and had a great turnout. Monique said that we learned a lot and met interesting people during the event. Commissioner Hoke mentioned how hot the bay area was during the event and asked if it was possible to install fans to make it cooler for outside events? Chief Beecroft said we will look into the possibility of installing fans. Christi mentioned the education conference she attended the previous week in Orlando and the ideas she has brought back to the District. There were no other questions or comments.

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

**Union:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

### **Commissioner Items:**

Gatewood – Is there any update on the disciplinary inquiry? Chief Beecroft said he spoke with the attorney and there is no action to be taken, only if involving a criminal act or a bad ethics violation.

Mere – What is their definition of bad ethics? Chief Beecroft said that would be considered for a monetary ethical violation.

Hoke – Wanted to thank A-Shift for their response at his house for his nephew and their good work.

**Public Input:** None

### **Community Goodwill & Thank You:**

Arbuckle Family

Adamcik Family

Ewing Family

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

**Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.**

### **Supportive Documents:**

1. May 16, 2022 Minutes
2. May 2022 Treasurer's Report