

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 27, 2023

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:**

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| Commissioner Robert Hoke               | Commissioner Michael Gatewood |
| Commissioner Bill Schaible             |                               |
| Chief Ronald Beecroft                  | Office Manager Monique Brooks |
| Administrative Specialist Avrey Brooks |                               |

**Absent:**

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| Commissioner Danny Ballard (excused)      | Commissioner Tom Mere   |
| Assistant Chief John Manson               | Fire Marshal Rick Jones |
| Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos     |                         |
| Public Education Officer Christi Kulwicki |                         |
| Union Representative Jarrett Slaybaugh    |                         |

**Invocation:** Office Manager Monique Brooks

**Pledge:** Commissioner Schaible

**Swearing in of New Firefighters**

Firefighter Cavanaugh and Firefighter Dupre were sworn in by Chief Beecroft

**Public Input:** None

**Minutes:**

**Commissioner Gatewood made a motion to accept the January 23, 2023 minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Schaible. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0. (1)**

**Treasurer's Report:** The January Treasurer's Report was presented. At this time, we are 34% through the budget year, received 86% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 33% of expenditures (less reserves). (2)

The Auditors were scheduled to be here this week but are backlogged 2 to 3 weeks.

Commissioner Gatewood asked if we were good on time? Yes, we are on schedule.

There were no other questions.

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

By Chief Beecroft –

- Please keep two members of our District in your thoughts and prayers: Commissioner Ballard and retired firefighter Robbie Noble.
- Engineers Mike Best is medically retiring after almost 20 years of service.
- Spoke with Mr. Carter about Slater road property. Not likely to work out as the appraisals came back uneven. Commissioner Gatewood asked how much room we had to expand at the current Station 3 property? Not much because we have less than an acre.
- We are looking at a potential property on Pondella Road. They are asking \$800,000 but we feel that is too much. Commissioner Schaible asked if it was a big enough parcel for the main station? Chief Beecroft replied he would not want to put it there.
- We worked with the county to determine a landing zone in Heron's Glen.

Chief Manson's report presented by Chief Beecroft –

- Run report attached.
- Chief's new vehicle has arrived and is being outfitted with lights, decals, etc.
- Expedition is being decommissioned and ready to sell. Klos has transitioned to the Tahoe which was the former Chief's vehicle.
- Engine 1 received PMI and is running well.
- Working with Lightning Wireless to outfit new rescues.
- Ordered a new shed for Station 3 to replace the one that was damaged during Hurricane Ian.
- Station 1 hurricane damage repairs are being finished up.
- Station 2 remodel is underway with new paint, lighting, and appliances.

**Prevention:** Report attached. Commissioner Hoke asked if we were still hiring an Inspector? The position was offered, and the applicant backed out. Still in the hiring process. There were no other questions or comments.

**Public Education:** Report attached. Public Education Officer Kulwicki's Father-in-law passed away recently. We give our condolences to her and her family. There were no other questions or comments.

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

**Union:** None.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:**

**Commissioner Gatewood made a motion to declare the 2008 Ford Expedition as surplus equipment and give Administration approval to sell. Seconded by Commissioner Schaible. The motion was put to a vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0.**

**Commissioner Items:** None.

**Public Input:** None.

**Community Goodwill & Thank You:**

Dempsey 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 3-0.**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.**

Supportive Documents:

1. January 23, 2023, Minutes
2. January Treasurer's Report