

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 27, 2025

Chairman Michael Gatewood called the North Fort Myers Fire Control and Rescue Service District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:12 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Commissioner Michael Gatewood

Commissioner Bill Schaible

Commissioner Tom Mere

Commissioner James Land

Chief Ronald Beecroft

Assistant Chief John Manson

Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos

Public Education Officer Christi Fulton

Office Manager Monique Brooks

Admin Specialist Emily Grgurich

Attorney Remotely: Janette Smith, Esq.

Absent: Commissioner Danny Ballard

Fire Marshal Rick Jones

Union Representative Josh Ballard

Invocation: Commissioner Mere

Pledge: Commissioner Schaible

Public Input: None

Minutes:

Commissioner Mere made a motion to approve the December 16, 2024 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 4-0.

(1)

Treasurer's Report: The December Treasurer's Report was presented. At this time, we are 26% through the budget year, received 93% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 30% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions or comments. (2)

Chief's Report:

By Chief Beecroft–

- Working on the Final Draft for the RFQ for the New Fire Station
- Hired Ryan Adams as our Newest Firefighter
- Recently attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Caloosahatchee Bridge
- Working on Prep work for the Annual Financial Audit
- Our IT Director is doing fantastic work and has a lot of projects going
- Monique, Emily and Christi recently attended and graduated from the FASD Certified District Administrative Professional Program (CDAP)

By Asst. Chief Manson-

- Monthly run report attached.
- PMI's on the trucks are underway; as well as the Pumps on the Brush Trucks

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

Public Education: Report attached. Noted the included flyer for the upcoming CERT Picnic. The Annual Toy Drive was a huge success and going to award some of the CERT teams for their participation. There were no questions or comments.

Training: Report attached. Commissioner Gatewood noted that the Annual Report was great. There were no other questions or comments.

Union: Not in Attendance

Old Business: None

New Business:

Election of Officers of the Board –

Commissioner Mere nominated Commissioner Schaible as Chairman. There were no other nominations. Vote was 4-0

Commissioner Mere nominated Commissioner Gatewood as Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations. Vote was 4-0

Commissioner Schaible nominated Commissioner Land as Secretary/Treasurer. There were no other nominations. Vote was 4-0

Review of Commissioners Manual and Possible Action –

Commissioner Mere made a motion to accept the Commissioners Manual as presented, which includes two small changes of: Line 148 change “or” to “of” and each version will be numbered from here forward. 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 Mere asked that a “Received by Form” be prepared and signed by each Commissioner.

Attorney Smith explained why we did not add anything about orientation for new Commissioners, because that would occur before being sworn in, and this is for the Commissioners. She also explained that the recent election brought unusual circumstances to being elected to our Board.

Commissioner Items: None

Public Input: Resident of Magnolia Landing thanked us for always answering the calls in Magnolia Landing, as he sees our Rescue trucks in there frequently.

Community Goodwill & Thank You:

South Trail Fire

Herons Glen

Horizon Village

City of Cedar Key, Florida

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. December 16, 2024 Minutes
2. December Treasurer's Report
3. Commissioners Manual, Version 1