

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 28, 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 Bill Schaible  
Chief Ronald Beecroft  
Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos  
Office Manager Monique Brooks

Commissioner Danny Ballard  
Commissioner Michael Gatewood  
Assistant Chief John Manson  
Fire Marshal Rick Jones

**Absent:**

Commissioner Tom Mere (excused)  
Public Education Officer Christi Kulwicki  
Union Representative Jarrett Slaybaugh  
Administrative Specialist Avrey Brooks

**Invocation:** Commissioner Ballard

**Pledge:** Commissioner Gatewood

**Public Input:** None

**Swearing In:** Chairman Hoke swore in William Schaible as Commissioner

## **Minutes:**

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the October 17, 2022 minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. Commissioner Ballard stated the October 17, 2022 minutes needed to be corrected. The motion accepting the September 19, 2022 minutes is incorrect because it says Commissioner Mere made the motion and seconded the motion. The minutes need to be corrected to reflect the correct people. 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 October Treasurer's Report was presented. At this time, we are 9% through the budget year, received 49% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 11% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions. (2)

Monique noted that we are updating the bank signature cards to reflect the change in commissioners. The new signature cards that are being signed are removing Commissioner Nottingham and adding William Schaible as Commissioner and a signor.

## **Chief's Report:**

By Chief Beecroft –

- We extend our thoughts and prayers for Commissioner Mere and Union Representative Slaybaugh.
- Security cameras have been put up at Station 1
- We have been working with FEMA and insurance for hurricane recovery.
- The shelter population is at 198
- We have been accepting firefighter and fire inspector applications.
- Two members of the honor guard recently attended an academy in Ocala. Commissioner Hoke asked how many were in the Honor Guard? Lieutenant Cameron replied 9.

By Chief Manson –

- Run report attached.
- Classroom, Trail Dairy, Dayroom, and vehicles have all been repaired from damage caused by Hurricane Ian.
- PMI's on Rescues is complete.

- The recent Sutphen invoice is very large. E4 has been in the shop since before the hurricane.
- Talked to Alan Jay about Fords, might need to go to a Dodge.

Commissioner Ballard mentioned if using the state bid list there is a 3–4-week window to be able to order vehicles with just a chassis

Commissioner Gatewood asked how the Dodges were holding up? Good.

Commissioner Hoke asked what the cost difference was between the Ford and the Dodge? Approximately \$5,000.

Commissioner Gatewood asked which box we would use, Reading or Knapheide? Knapheide.

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to allow Administration to proceed to find a new Rescue and Brush Truck and order them, no matter which manufacturer. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.**

**Prevention:** Report attached. Commissioner Hoke asked how many buildings were damaged from the hurricane? Not sure. There were no other questions or comments.

**Public Education:** Report attached. There were no questions or comments.

**Training:** Report attached. Training has been lightened due to the hurricane. McMahon held a de-briefing with each shift post hurricane. There were no other questions or comments.

**Union:** None.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- **2021/2022 Inventory Disposition**

Commissioner Ballard asked what is polyprene? Poly tank.

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the 2021/2022 Inventory Disposition, as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. (3)**

- **RFP Selection for Consulting Services for Disaster Recovery and FEMA Public Assistance**

**Commissioner Gatewood made a motion to accept GMC Network for Consulting Services for Disaster Recovery and FEMA Public Assistance. Seconded by Commissioner Ballard. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. (4)**

- **Purchase of Brush and Rescue Truck – Discussed under Chief’s Notes**

### **Commissioner Items:**

Ballard –

- Why do we do elections of officers for the board in January? Monique replied those are the guidelines that are in the Commissioners Manual. Commissioner Ballard asked if that could be changed because he would like it done in November? Monique replied that she would have to contact the attorney to get the correct answer. He said that would be fine.
- Would like Administration to find an Engine and bring to the Board in January because it is currently taking approximately 30 months for production.

**Public Input:** None

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

Family of Howard Mullen  
Elizabeth Miller  
Horizon Village

**Commissioner Gatewood 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 5:38 p.m.**

Supportive Documents:

1. October 17, 2022, Minutes
2. October 2022 Treasurer’s Report
3. 2021/2022 Budget Inventory Disposition
4. RFP Selection for Consulting Services for Disaster Recovery and FEMA Public Assistance

