

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE  
SERVICE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 19, 2017

Chairman Michael Gatewood called the North Fort Myers Fire Control and Rescue Service District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:05 p.m.

**Present were:**

Commissioners: Danny Ballard                      Suzanne Daggett  
                         Michael Gatewood              Leroy Nottingham  
                         Tom Mere (via video conference)

Chief David Rice                                      Assistant Chief John Meredith  
Office Manager Monique Brooks      Fire Marshal Rick Jones  
Union Representative Slaybaugh

**Absent:** None

**Invocation:** Chief Rice

**Pledge:** Commissioner Nottingham

**Minutes:** Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the May 15, 2017, minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Daggett. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous. (1)

**Treasurer's Report:** The May treasurers report was presented. At this time, we are 67% through the budget year, received 104% of revenues (including cash brought forward) and spent 72% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions. (2)

## **Chief's Report:**

By Chief Rice-

- Received the new Brush Truck
- EMS construction project – Construction activity should begin sometime in early July
- We have received our preliminary gross taxable value of property within our District, and it is a slight increase over last year. The final number will be given to us July 1<sup>st</sup>.

By Assistant Chief Meredith-

- Monthly runs attached
- Priced out new Extrication tools, and have submitted a letter to the County Attorney, asking to use Impact Fees for the purchase, and they have said yes. We would like to purchase 3 combination tool units, for the Rescue trucks, two new tools for the Engines. The total cost of the units is \$81,000. The County Attorney approved 65% of the cost to be used from Impact Fees for the two units, and 100% of the cost of the 3 new units for the Rescues. Therefore, the General Fund only has to pay \$20,000. So, we would like the Boards approval to use Impact Fees and the monies from the General Fund to purchase the new tools.

**Commissioner Nottingham made a motion to purchase the extrication tools. Seconded by Commissioner Ballard. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous.**

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to allow the use of Impact Fees for the purchase of the tools. Seconded by Commissioner Mere. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous.**

**Fire Prevention:** Report is attached.

Commissioner Ballard noted that he was satisfied with their report and the number of inspections last month.

Commissioner Daggett asked when they collected the fees for inspections? Daily, when they are there doing the inspection, it must be paid for.

There were no other questions.

**Public Education:** Report is attached.

Commissioner Ballard asked how many smoke detectors were given out during the recent Red Cross campaign? Approximately 120.

There were no other questions.

**Union:** Very quiet lately, just getting ready for union negotiations.

**Old Business:**

- EMS Project – Covered under Chiefs Notes

**New Business:**

2016/2017 Budget Amendment & Line Item Transfers

Chief Rice went over the Amendment and line items.

Commissioner Ballard asked:

- (1) if there were some increases and decreases? Yes
- (2) what was check from PGIT? Training incentive payment from our workers comp company
- (3) what is I/F? Impact Fees

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the 2016/2017 June Budget Amendment, and the line item transfers. Seconded by Commissioner Nottingham. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous. (3)**

**Commissioner Items:**

Commissioner Gatewood asked when would the new Fire Engine be arriving? It should arrive in Fort Myers in July.

Chief Meredith added that Rescue 2 should be coming back from Ocala tomorrow, and we should have it back in service soon.

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to start the process of researching the purchase of a new Engine, so that we are ready to place the order on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Seconded by Commissioner Mere.** Commissioner Daggett said she thought we were buying SUV's instead of Engines? No. She then asked where would this new Engine go? Station 3 (Slater Road). How many years do we get out of Engines? Approximately 15 years.

Commissioner Nottingham asked where this was in the budget? It isn't currently, this just gives direction to administration to get the specifications and numbers.

**The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous.**

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion for the Chiefs to start the process of replacing the Rescue trucks, at least one of them for sure. Seconded by Commissioner Nottingham. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous.**

**Public Input: None**

**Community Goodwill & Thank You:**

Spring Woods Homeowners Association, for Lt. Cabral

Greater Naples Fire Rescue District

Donation of \$42.45 from River Trails Community

Commissioner Nottingham asked why an odd amount? This amount was collected during a bike helmet safety event

**Commissioner Nottingham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ballard. All were in favor and it was approved by the Board, unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.**

Supportive Documents:

1. May 15, 2017 minutes
2. May treasurers report
3. 2016/2017 June Budget Amendment and Line Item Transfers