

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

March 24, 2014

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

**Present were:**

Commissioners: Leroy Nottingham	Danny Ballard
Michael Gatewood	Tom Mere
Chief Chris Noble	
Asst. Chief John Meredith	Asst. Chief David Rice
Fire Marshal Jones	Office Manager Monique Brooks

**Absent:** Commissioner Robert Hoke Union Representative Hagie

**Invocation:** Chief Noble

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Ballard

**Minutes:** Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept February 24, 2014, minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Mere. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was unanimous. (1)

**Treasurer's Report:** The February treasurers report was presented. At this time, we are 42% through the budget year, have received 93% of revenues (including cash brought forward) and have spent 48% of expenditures (less reserves). Commissioner Mere asked what the annual fee was to Spectrum A/C, and what it was for? He also wanted to know if it was really worth it? Chief Noble responded that this is for the maintenance of all our A/C units and ice machines. There were no other questions. (2)

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to re-arrange the agenda, to allow for the 2012/2013 Audit Presentation to be the next item on the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board, unanimously.**

### **New Business:**

**Presentation of the 2012/2013 Audit, by Jeff Tuscan, accompanied by Lisa McKenzie.**

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept the 2012/2013 Audit as presented. Commissioner Mere seconded. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board, unanimously. (3)**

Commissioner Mere asked how we rated among other Fire Districts? Jeff Tuscan responded that we are all in the same situation, but with different scenarios, therefore, it is hard to compare us.

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

By Chief Noble-

- Weekly reports and monthly run sheet is attached
- Lehigh Fire is looking at changing their methodology for their fire fee assessment. Chief Noble feels very confident in our choice of methodology.
- Next month we will have to adopt a resolution for the fire fee, and have it, and the ballot language turned in to the Elections office.
- We are using the law firm of Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, to assist us in the resolution.

Commissioner Nottingham asked when the primary election is?  
Answer is 08/26/2014.

Commissioner Mere asked how much will the attorneys fees be, because he does not want us to go over budget. Chief Noble

responded that we are aware of this, and feels we will be within our budgeted amount.

Commissioner Ballard asked – didn't we motion last month to proceed forward with the fire fee? Chief Noble responded that we are just wanting to show all variations in the assessment methodology.

- We have another CERT class graduating this week, and we are looking at ways to hold their interest.
- Our Strike teams have been busy already
- Intern program is still a success

By Assistant Chief Meredith-

Engine 2 was involved in a minor accident last week, but everything is okay

Commissioner Ballard asked about the status of Brooks Road? Chief Noble responded that he has contacted Phil Deems to give us a fair market value price.

**Training:**

Report is attached. Emphasis is currently on EMT Refresher. Also the Officers were involved in a training in Cape Coral, with Target Solutions. We also did some training with Balgas. There were no questions.

**Fire Prevention:** There was not a report attached, and Fire Marshal Jones offered his apologies. There were no questions.

**Public Education:** Report is attached. There were no questions.

**Union:** Commissioner Ballard mentioned that we will not have a union representative until the May meeting, because the election results will be available on April 24, 2014.

**Old Business: NONE**

**Commissioner Items:**

None

**Public Input:** None

**Community Goodwill & Thank You:**

Thank you note from Mary Brown (family of former Chief Brown)  
J. Colin English

**Commissioner Ballard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gatewood. All were in favor and it was approved by the Board, unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. February minutes
2. February Treasurers Report
3. 2012/2013 Audit Presentation