

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 18, 2024

Chairman Michael Gatewood 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 Michael Gatewood
Commissioner Danny Ballard
Chief Ronald Beecroft
Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos
Office Manager Monique Brooks
Attorney Remotely: Dirk Smits, Esq.

Commissioner Tom Mere
Commissioner Bill Schaible
Fire Marshal Rick Jones
Admin Specialist Emily Grgurich

Absent: Commissioner Robert Hoke
Public Education Officer Christi Fulton

Assistant Chief John Manson
Union Representative Josh Ballard

Invocation: Commissioner Mere

Pledge: Commissioner Ballard

Public Input: None

Minutes:

Commissioner Mere made a motion to accept the February 26, 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 February Treasurer's Report was presented. At this time, we are 42% through the budget year, received 96% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 42% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions or comments. (2)

Chief's Report:

By Chief Beecroft–

- We were going to swear in one of our new Firefighters tonight, but unfortunately his mother passed away, so please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.
- We recently played in a County wide Softball tournament, and came in Second Place. Extremely proud of our players and it was a great time.
- Reminded Commissioners about Ethics Training requirement.
- Looked at the property that Commissioner Ballard suggested at N. Evalena and Bayshore but it is in close proximity to Station 3 and would be taking calls away from that station instead of Station 2 which is where we need relief. The realtor called today to say that Scottie's is moving their stuff and the encroachment issue would be resolved, but Chief told the realtor until it was moved he did not even want to talk about it. Also added that the piece on Pondella next to Dollar General was back on the market. Commissioner Ballard noted that the 3 pieces on Business 41 South of Smoke n pit is on and off the market and it might be something to look into.

Commissioner Gatewood asked if there was any more movement on the Charter Review committee? No

By Asst. Chief Manson-

- Monthly run report attached
- PMI on all Rescues is complete
- Hydrant Maintenance has started and we are only greasing and flushing.

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

Public Education: Report attached. Annual CERT picnic was a success. There were no questions or comments.

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

Union: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

- **Increase Capital Threshold to \$5,000** – We would like to increase the Capital Threshold of Inventory items from \$1,000 to \$5,000. **Commissioner Mere made a motion to increase the capital threshold of items from \$1,000 to \$5,000. 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)**
- **Open Credit Card Account with New Bank** – **Commissioner Schaible made a motion to open a credit card through the provider of FineMark National Bank and Trust. Seconded by Commissioner Mere. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.**

Commissioner Items:

Ballard – Wanted everyone to keep Retired Assistant Chief from the City of Fort Myers Fire in their prayers as he is very ill.

Public Input: None

Community Goodwill & Thank You: Anonymous letter. Commissioner Mere said the letter was very nice but he was disappointed that it was not signed, but would like a copy to go in their personnel files.

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. February 26, 2024 Minutes
2. February Treasurer's Report
3. Capitalization Procedures Policy