

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**  
**GOLDEN GATE FIRE CONTROL & RESCUE DISTRICT**  
**14575 COLLIER BLVD. NAPLES, FLORIDA**  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: October 8, 2014

TIME: 5:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Present were Chairman Gerrity along with Commissioners Stedman and McMahon. In attendance were Chief Schuldt, Deputy Director Bishop, Deputy Chief Biondo, Division Chief Hanson, Administrative Assistant Packard, HR Specialist Debbie Schwarz, Dr. Horner, Jeff Page, Steve Hemping and Chris Rossi. Others were in attendance but did not sign in.

**1. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**

Chairman Gerrity opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation by Commissioner Stedman.

**2. Line of Duty Death Reading and Moment of Silence**

Chief Schuldt stated that there were a total of 6 FF fatalities for the month of September, bringing the total for 2014 to 64 followed by a moment of silence.

**3. Agenda Approval – Changes, Additions and/or Deletions**

Director Bishop requested that the handouts replace pages 55-57 of the packet.

*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the amended agenda. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

**4. Approval of Past Minutes:**

**09/10/2014 Regular Meeting**

*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the minutes as presented for the September 10, 2014 regular meeting. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

**09/10/2014 First Public Budget Hearing**

*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the minutes as presented for the September 10, 2014, First Public Budget Hearing. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

**09/24/2014 Final Public Budget Hearing**

*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the minutes as presented for the September 24, 2014, Final Public Budget Hearing. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

**5. Treasurer's Report/Expenditure**

Commissioner McMahon reported that going into FY 14-15 GGFD has \$3,894,080 going into reserves, better than expected. The expenditures would be reviewed later.

**6. Consent Agenda**

*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

A. Operations Report- Assistant Chief Sapp

B. Logistics Report - Deputy Chief Biondo

1. Fire and Life Safety Report - Division Chief Hanson

C. Administration and Finance - Director Bishop

**7. Fire Chief's Report – Chief Schuldt**

Chief Schuldt highlighted on the following:

- ENFD Lt. Craig Weinbaum was chosen as the Grand Prize Winner in the Steak-umm's Firehouse Challenge and as such won \$20,000 for station improvements.

- The ENFD ALS Engine Program began on October 3<sup>rd</sup> with ENFD Engine 21 running as an ALS engine as well as ENFD Engine 23. Training will begin next week for the GGFD ALS Engine Program with a possible implementation by the first of the year.
- A letter of appreciation was sent to Mr. Handyman for the donation of their time on the National Day of Service to honor the heroes affected by 9/11. They made improvements to the Board Room at the Joint Administrative Headquarters.
- ENFD Driver/Engineer Dan Ernst retired from the District effective September 29, 2014. This leaves four vacancies in the East Division and one vacancy in the Gate Division. One part time fire inspector started on October 6<sup>th</sup> and a full time fire inspector along with another part time inspector is expected to begin employment on October, 13, 2014.
- All focus now is on the merger which is in full campaign mode.

## 8. Local 2396 Labor Report

Local 2396 President Trenton Mading reported on the following:

- The Romp in the Swamp Fishing Tournament netted \$3,000 for the MacLarty family.
- There has been a leadership change within the Local. Trenton Mading is the new Local 2396 president while Brandon Mading is the GGFD district president and Craig Weinbaum will remain the ENFD district president.

## 9. Old Business:

### A. Consolidation Issues – Chairman Gerrity

Chief Schuldt stated that everyone is preparing for the potential merger . Work continues on educating the public and attending civic association meetings for Q & A.

#### 1. Cost Savings Worksheet

The Joint District has realized a net savings of \$739,776.72.

Commissioner Gerrity made mention that Station 75 ran a call for a cardiac arrest whereby the patient survived. This helps to show the importance of placing a unit at EMS Station 75.

## 10. New Business:

### A. November BOFC Meeting Date – Deputy Director Bishop

Director Bishop recommended the GGFD BOFC regular meeting scheduled November 12, 2014 be canceled and hold a joint meeting on November 6, 2014 to set the agenda moving forward. It was also recommended to change the ENFD regular BOFC meeting for November 18, 2014 to a joint meeting to finalize any issues from the November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Both meetings will be held at Joint Administrative Headquarters at 5:30 PM.

*Chairman Gerrity moved to accept staff's recommendation to adjust the commission meeting calendar; canceling the November 12<sup>th</sup> GGFD regular BOFC meeting and holding joint meetings on November 6<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner McMahan seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

Commissioner Hemping stated that he would make a similar motion at the next ENFD BOFC meeting.

- B. AIW – Engine 70 Repairs – Deputy Chief Biondo  
Chief Biondo stated that Engine 70 is at Ten-8 getting repaired for damages done at a fire and two vehicle accidents. There are additional items in need of repair and staff is recommending getting the additional items repaired while at Ten-8. The preliminary estimate for the work is \$6,810.91.  
*Commissioner McMahon moved to approve staff's recommendation and proceed with the necessary repairs to Engine 70 not to exceed \$10,000. Commissioner Stedman seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*
- C. Candidate Forum Attendance – Commissioner McMahon  
Commissioner McMahon had concerns over a GGFD engine attending an East Naples Candidate Forum. Chief Schuldt responded by stating that coverage is maintained in the joint districts at all times and the apparatus from both divisions are moved within the joint district as needed.
- D. GGFD BOFC Attendance – Chairman Gerrity  
Commissioner Gerrity had concerns over Commissioner McMahon's attendance. He wanted to make sure the policy that was adopted last year is being followed which states after a commissioner misses three meetings, he receives no pay for the fourth. The attendance record states that Commissioner McMahon missed four meetings therefore the District should follow the policy and deduct his pay.  
Commissioner McMahon responded by stating that this was not the true attendance but if it is true, then he will give back his pay. He went on to say that this was crazy and to be careful and left the meeting.  
Chairman Gerrity called a recess at 5:55 PM due to Commissioner McMahon's departure. Chairman Gerrity reconvened the meeting at 5:55 PM when Commissioner McMahon returned.  
Chairman Gerrity requested Chief Schuldt provide an interpretation to the policy to which he responded that after the absence from three meetings this constitutes no pay for the fourth commission meeting.  
Chairman Gerrity suggested again following state statute and policy.  
There was no action taken on this item at this time.
- E. FSA Resolution – Deputy Director Bishop  
Director Bishop presented the FSA Resolution which goes along with the Section 125 Flexible Benefits Plan to the Board.  
*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve acceptance of the FSA Resolution. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*
- F. FY 13-14 Amended Budgets – Deputy Director Bishop  
Director Bishop presented the FY 13-14 amended General Budget in the amount of \$11,834,912.00 and the amended Impact Fee Budget in the amount of \$268,338.00.  
*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the amended General Budget in the amount of \$11,834,912.00 as presented. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*  
*Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the amended Impact Fee Budget in the amount of \$268,338 as presented. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

**11. Comments from Public and Commissioners**

Commissioner McMahon thanked administration and the firefighters for all of their hard work and apologized for his behavior at the last meeting.

Commissioner Stedman is excited to see what will happen and stated that his platform for the last eight years has been consolidation and ALS. He went on to say that this could be a reality come true for both by the end of the year.

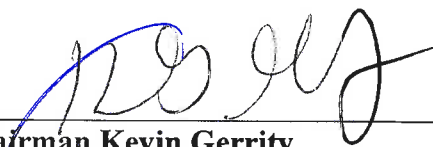
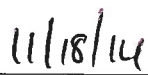
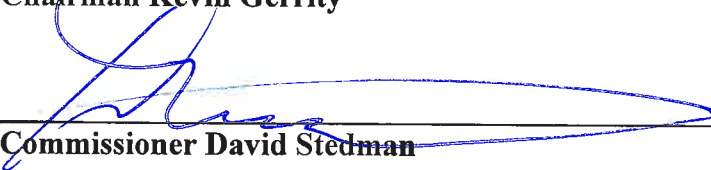

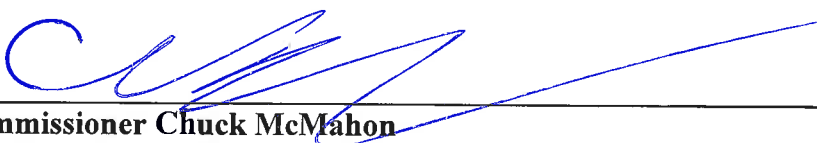

Chairman Gerrity thanked everyone for their hard work; the District has improved dramatically with the inception of the interlocal. He went on to say that he takes his hat off to each and everyone and will live with the results, win, lose or draw but he would like to see it succeed.

**12. Items for Next BOFC Meeting Agenda (November 12, 2014)**

- a. Meeting Dates
- b. Officers
- c. Transition Issues
- d. Pension
- e. November 18<sup>th</sup> – Swearing in by Judge Turner

**Adjourn**

*Commissioner Stedman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 PM. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.*

 _____ <b>Chairman Kevin Gerrity</b>	 _____ <b>Date</b>
 _____ <b>Commissioner David Stedman</b>	 _____ <b>Date</b>
 _____ <b>Commissioner Chuck McMahon</b>	 _____ <b>Date</b>