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EAST NAPLES FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
October 14, 2014

I. Meeting Opened

Chairman Hemping called to order the regular meeting of the East Naples Fire Control & Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners at 5:30 PM on October 14, 2014 at the Fire Code Office. Present were Chairman Hemping, Commissioners Cottiers, Cross and Page. Commissioner Boyer arrived at 5:45 PM. In attendance, Fire Chief Schuldts, Assistant Chief Sapp, Deputy Chief Biondo, Deputy Director Bishop, Division Chief Hanson, and Exe. Asst. Chesser. Others were in attendance but did not sign in.

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Chairman Hemping opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation.

B. Line of Duty Deaths Reading and Moment of Silence

Chief Schuldts 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.

C. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

None

D. Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner Cross moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Page seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

E. Approval of the Board Minutes for September 8, 2014 - Regular Meeting

Commissioner Cross moved to approve the board minutes for the September 8, 2014 regular meeting. Commissioner Page seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

F. Approval of First Public Budget Hearing Minutes for September 8, 2014

Commissioner Cross moved to approve the board minutes for the September 8, 2014 First Budget Hearing. Commissioner Page seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

G. Approval of Final Public Budget Hearing Minutes for September 22, 2014

Commissioner Cross moved to approve the board minutes for the September 22, 2014 Final Budget Hearing. Commissioner Cottiers seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

H. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Page moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Cross seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

1. ENFD's Treasurer Report
2. FCO's Treasurer Report
3. Operations Report – Assistant Chief Sapp
4. Administration and Finance Report- Director Bishop
5. Logistics Report - Deputy Chief Biondo
 - a) Fire and Life Safety Report - Division Chief Hanson

I. Awards and Recognition

1. Steak-umm's Firehouse Challenge Grand Prize Winner – Lt. Weinbaum
Chief Schuldts recognized Lt. Weinbaum for being chosen the Grand Prize Winner in Steak-umm's Firehouse Challenge Grand Prize Winner. A check will be presented in the amount of \$20,000 on behalf of Lt. Weinbaum for station improvements

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(bunker gear storage). In addition, he entered the Jerry Adams 2nd annual Marco Island Chili Cook-Off and placed third.

J. Fire Administration - Chief Schuldt

1. Fire Chief's Board Update

Chief Schuldt highlighted the following:

- Brandon Bunting from the GGFD division took the lead on ordering Local 2396 pink breast cancer t-shirts which all staff have been given permission to wear during the month of October.
- A thank you was given to BC Sean Hunt for his participation in the NFFF Golf Tournament as well as Fallen Firefighter Memorials in Ocala, Florida and Emmitsburg, MD at the National Fire Academy.
- The ENFD ALS Engine Program began on October 3rd with ENFD Engine 21 running as an ALS engine as well as ENFD Engine 23. Engine 22 was added as an ALS Engine today. On any given day the goal is to have a minimum of two ALS Engines in service and three if staffing allows. Chief Schuldt shared his appreciation of ENFD Acting Lt. Cotter for the fantastic job he has done administrating the program along with EMS Lt. Maro and GGFD DE Santana for their assistance and dedication. Training began today 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.
- Two part time and one full time fire inspector have been hired. Fire and Life Safety began inspections for Isles and Ochopee on October 1st.
- There are four to five firefighter vacancies between the divisions. Offers of employment are being worked on. The decision has been made to bring them on after November 4th in order to know what retirement they will be going in to. Commissioner Page asked if there was a preference to hire Paramedics to which Chief Schuldt responded yes to hiring Paramedics as well as Veterans. Commissioner Page then questioned whether after November 4th, East Paramedics could be utilized in the Golden Gate Division. Chief Schuldt stated that it is his intention to do but he will have to work with the Local.
- There was a countywide Ebola Awareness Meeting held today which the District attended. It will be treated as a pandemic event and the County and Chiefs are going to come together with a single plan of action should an event ever occur.

Chairman noted Commissioner Boyer's arrival at 5:45 PM.

K. Chapter 175 Firefighter's Pension Plan – Chairman Arroyo

Chairman Arroyo highlighted the following:

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- The pension plan received a total 2013 distribution of state monies in the amount of \$720,073.51 which is an increase of \$40,975 over the 2012 distributions.
- The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 14th at 9:00 AM at the Fire Code Official's Training Room.

Commissioner Cross wanted to know where we were on what retirement plan the new district is going to go with. There are still no answers from the State on the options and how everything would be affected. The Local is not committed to going to either plan. They just don't want their retirements or district harmed. There was a long discussion on how to get the answers needed in order to make an informed decision. Hopefully something can be brought back at the next meeting.

L. Local 2396 Report – District President Craig Weinbaum

District President Weinbaum reported on the following:

- Working with the Chief on getting the merger signs up and helping out in any way on the merger.
- Expectation is for an easy transition once the merger passes but there will be growing pains. Leadership will do their best to keep things moving smoothly.
- ALS is the primary thing needed right now especially with the direction we are moving.
- Nominations and voting will be coming up in the near future with some possible changes in leadership but it will be seamless.

Chairman Hemping stated there has been great participation from the GGFDF guys on getting signs up and involvement but there seems to be a lack of participation from the ENFD guys. He went on to say that he hopes everything is ok and wants the partnership to continue. District President Weinbaum responded by stating that members have their reasons for getting involved or not getting involved and everyone is waiting to see how the vote goes. He went on to say that there was a MDA Boot Drive where no one showed up and that has not been the case in the past. He does not really know what is going on. Chairman Hemping offered to talk to the guys if need be to answer any questions the members may have.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. GGFDF/ENFD Merger - Chairman Hemping/Chief Schuldt

Chairman Hemping reported that there is a merger team meeting scheduled for this Thursday, October 16th. He went on to state that the merger team is in the informational mode. Thirty-six informational signs have been placed within both districts. The merger team will be using the monies available from the PAC that is run through Local 2396 for campaign material options. Three mailings have gone out to all absentee voter and super voters. One last huge mailing will go out to every voter household in each district this weekend. Flyers have been placed in store windows of businesses in the community. Commissioner Hemping added that there were two informational town hall meetings that had a very, very low attendance. Regardless, he thinks that the due diligence in the almost two years since this began has insured all questions have been answered.

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1. **Cost Savings Worksheet**
The Joint District has realized a net savings of \$739,776.72.

B. District Owned Properties Updates - Commissioner Cross

Commissioner Cross stated that the Village Falls property is not on the market at this time but this needs to come back after the vote to get it on the market. The insurance company that was interested in the Village Falls has decided not to purchase at this time. He went on to report that there was interest in the Outer Drive property and the District will continue to field any offers as before. The Sable Palm land swap continues with some issues still being worked out.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. AIW – November BOFC Meeting Dates – Deputy Director Bishop

Director Bishop explained that the GGFD BOFC proposed an alternative meeting schedule for November 2014 in light of the pending merger vote taking place on November 4, 2014. The recommendation is to schedule a new joint meeting on November 6, 2014 and to change the ENFD BOFC meeting scheduled for November 18, 2014 to a joint meeting. Both meetings will be held at 5:30 PM at the Joint Administrative Headquarters.

Commissioner Page moved to approve amending the ENFD BOFC meeting schedule to include a joint meeting on November 6th and changing the ENFD BOFC meeting on November 18th to a joint meeting. Both meetings will be held at 5:30 PM at the Joint Administrative Headquarters. Commissioner Cottiers seconded the motion. Commissioner Boyer spoke out against the motion stating that the meeting on November 6th would be too soon after the election. Motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner Boyer opposed.

B. AIW – Engine 20 Repairs – Deputy Chief Biondo

Director Bishop stated that Engine 20 was towed to Cummins Power South due to a unit not being able to start. The engine suffered a fuel injection pump stoppage which shut down the motor. Also discovered at Cummins was an oil leak and the engine needs to be overhauled. There are also cooling issues resulting in a radiator replacement. The cost estimate for an in-frame engine rebuild is \$18,680.33 and the cost estimate for the radiator replacement is \$4,116.91. Staff recommends approving a cost not to exceed \$23,000.

Commissioner Cross moved to support staff's recommendation and proceed with the necessary repairs to Engine 20 at a cost not to exceed \$23,000. Commissioner Cottiers seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

C. AIW – Grau & Associates Engagement Letters – Deputy Director Bishop

Director Bishop informed the Board that Grau & Associates presented for consideration the FY 13-14 annual audit engagement letters for ENFD and FCO. This letter is for the annual financial audit for the FY 13-14 ending September 30, 2014.

Commissioner Cross moved to accept staff's recommendation and move to authorize the signature of the FY 13-14 annual audit engagement letters with Grau & Associates. Commissioner Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

D. AIW – Winterpark VIII Driveway Sealing – Deputy Director Bishop

Director Bishop stated that the District and Winterpark VIII share the east entrance of Winterpark for access to the condos and the rear of Station 20. Prior resurfacing

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projects have been fiscally split between the District and the Winterpark VIII association. The shared area needs to be resurfaced. An estimate has been submitted and the work tentatively scheduled for the first week of December 2014. Total job estimate is \$3,684. Similar prior work has been split 50/50 therefore making ENFD's portion \$1,842.

Commissioner Cross moved to support staff's recommendation and make a motion to approve the expenditure of \$1,842 from Capital Outlay for the resealing of the Winterpark VIII driveway. Commissioner Page seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

E. ENFD Final Amended FY 13-14 Budget – Deputy Director Bishop

Director Bishop presented the amended FY 13-14 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$16,787,497.

Commissioner Cross moved to approve the ENFD amended FY 13-14 Budget as presented on pages 84-89. Commissioner Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

F. FCO Amended FY 13-14 Budget – Deputy Director Bishop

Director Bishop presented the FCO amended FY 13-14 Budget in the amount of \$556,091.33.

Commissioner Cross moved to approve the FCO amended FY 13-14 Budget as presented on pages 90-92. Commissioner Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

G. Public Comment

None

H. Topics Initiated by the Board of Fire Commissioners

Chairman Hemping stated that if this is the last ENFD BOFC meeting, he would like to thank everyone for their support, starting with the staff and firefighters. Serving with this commission board has been fantastic and a pleasure to serve our community in this capacity. He also appreciates the support of being Chairman for the last year. He looks forward to continuing no matter what the outcome is on November 4th and supporting the Districts no matter what they will be and hopefully it is the combined merged Greater Naples Fire Rescue and all the support that I hope will carry over into the new district.

Commissioner Cross stated that if he is not re-elected he will miss everyone.

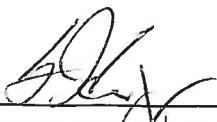
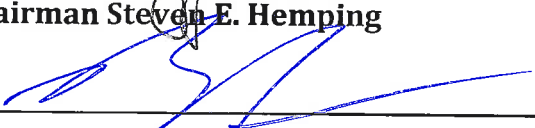
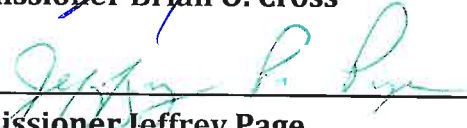


IV. SIGNATURE OF BOARD APPROVED ITEMS

1. Board Minutes for September 8, 2014 - Regular Meeting
2. Board Minutes for September 8, 2014 – First Public Budget Hearing
3. Board Minutes for September 22, 2014 – Final Public Budget Hearing
4. ENFD Grau & Associates Engagement Letter
5. FCO Grau & Associates Engagement Letter
6. ENFD Final Amended FY 13-14 Budget
7. FCO Final Amended FY 13-14 Budget

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V. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cross moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 PM. Commissioner Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

 _____ Chairman Steven E. Hemping	_____ Date 11/18/14
 _____ Commissioner Brian O. Cross	_____ Date 11/18/14
 _____ Commissioner Jeffrey Page	_____ Date 11/18/2014
 _____ Commissioner Robert A. Boyer	_____ Date 11-18-14
 _____ Commissioner Charles P. Cottiers	_____ Date 11/18/14