



**MINUTES
GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
June 5, 2018**

MEETING OPENED

Vice Chair Stedman called to order the regular meeting of the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners meeting at 5:30pm., on June 5, 2018 at Administrative Headquarters. Present were Commissioners Page, Boyer, Stedman, Gerrity, Cottiers and Henning. Chairman Cross arrived just after meeting was opened. Executive Staff in attendance: Fire Chief Kingman Schuldt, Assistant Chief Sapp, and Deputy Directors Bishop and Martin. Staff in attendance: Suanne Woeste, Nicole Chesser. Public in attendance: Trenton Mading, John Luppy, Nick Taylor, Marty Good, Sal D'Angelo and George Danz. Others were in attendance but did not sign in.

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Commissioner Stedman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation by Commissioner Gerrity.

B. Line of Duty Deaths Reading and Moment of Silence

Assistant Chief Sapp reported there were a total of 5 Firefighter fatalities for the month of May, bringing the total for 2018 to 39, followed by a moment of silence.

C. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

At the request of the Pension Board; 175 DROP Workshop was added to Agenda under H. Due to Chief Schuldt being ill, New Business E. (AIW- Everglades City Fire and Life Safety Interlocal Agreement) was moved to immediately follow the Chief's Report. Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

D. Approval of the GNFD Board Minutes for May 8, 2018

Commissioner Page moved to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

E. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Cottiers seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Operations Section Report – Assistant Chief Sapp
3. Administration and Finance Section Report – Deputy Director Bishop
4. Planning Section Report – Deputy Chief Martin
5. Logistics Section Report – Deputy Chief McLaughlin
6. Investigation Section Report – Deputy Chief Hanson
7. Training and Special Operations Section Report – Deputy Chief Low
8. Disposition of Fixed Assets 18-007

F. Awards and Recognition

Assistant Chief Sapp presented awards and certificates to the following employees:

- Eagle Award – Firefighter Nick Taylor
- Completion of Probation – Fleet Supervisor John Luppy
- 20 Year Service Award – Lieutenant Marty Good
- Announced as receiving the Eagle Award but not present were:
Firefighters: A. Borowski, D. Garretto, B. Packard, A. Sikder, and M. Soto.

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Driver Engineers: J. Brown, T. Garner, D. Perez, and M. Stirns; Lieutenants: J. Bright, J. Michel, and T. Schilling and Captain Brandon Bunting.

G. Fire Chief's Report

Chief Schuldt reported on the following:

- Presented Commissioners with copies of the GNFD 2017 Annual Report
- Preliminary Trim #'s show GNFD with a 6.17% increase, adding approximately \$1.1 million in revenue. Ochopee is showing a decrease of 11.1%, a loss of approximately \$170,000. Ochopee's property values have decreased due to the hurricane damage.
- Brush 71 has been decommissioned due to several significant issues. This is one of two primary Type One Brush trucks and considered a critical asset. Staff is currently assessing options for a replacement vehicle.
- 16 employees took the written Lieutenant test today.
- The ALS Coordinator position and a few others have not been filled because of current budget situation. Staff has been working on 9 new job descriptions with the cooperation of the Union on some. The goal is still to realign the Special Ops and Training Groups when GNFD's financial position will allow.

H. Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan – Chairman Arroyo

No report submitted

I. 175 DROP Workshop

Director Bishop stated the 175 Pension Board would like to hold a workshop with Foster & Foster to answer questions and discuss the perimeters inside the DROP. Date proposed was June 14, 2018. The Board decided to add (175 Pension Plan DROP presentation) under New Business at the July 10, 2018 BOFC Meeting.

J. Local 2396 Report

President Mading presented report as written and added the following update:

- ALS grievance is waiting on mediation
- FLSA / Sick Leave grievance is waiting on legal response

Commissioner Cross asked Director Bishop where things stand with Station 70 and the termites. Bishop – Chief met with Assistant County Manager last week and did share the Board's comments. The County is under new contract for termite remediation and has lawsuit going on from previous remediation. We will continue to get weekly updates.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Emergency Services Task Force

Commissioner Gerrity stated last ESTF meeting consisted of in-depth discussion of fire assessments. North Collier Fire District is set to vote on final ballot language at their next Board Meeting.

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III. NEW BUSINESS

A. AIW – Resolution 2018-02 Hurricane Irma Sub-Grant Authorization

Director Bishop presented Resolution 2018-02. *Commissioner Cottiers moved to authorize execution of Resolution 2018-02 authorizing Fire Chief Kingman Schuldt and Deputy Director Bishop to execute Sub-grant agreements related to Hurricane Irma. Commissioner Boyer seconded. Motion passed 7-0.*

B. Presentation of the FY16-17 Annual Audit

David Capliviski, CPA and Audit Manager with Grau & Associates present the FY16-17 Annual Audit and the Independent Auditor's Report. *Commissioner Pages made a motion to accept staff's recommendation thereby accepting the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended Sept. 30, 2017 into official record as presented by Grau & Assoc. dated May 31, 2018. Commissioner Boyer seconded. Motion passed 7-0.*

C. AIW – MM63 FDOT Agreement Renewal

Commissioner Henning moved to accept Staff's recommendation, authorizing the Second Amendment of Interlocal Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

D. AIW - MM63 FY18-19 Budget

Commissioner Cottiers moved to accept staff's recommendation and approve the FY18-19 Florida Department of Transportation MM63 budget in the amount of \$1,574,235.49. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

E. AIW – Everglades City Fire and Life Safety Interlocal Agreement

Chief Schuldt presented the details of the Interlocal Agreement that authorizes the District to provide fire and life safety services, specifically fire inspection services within the City boundaries. Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal Shawn Hanson is presenting the same agreement in Everglades City. *Commissioner Henning made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement. Commissioner Stedman second. Discussion on standards, liability and safety continued. Motion passed 6-1 (Boyer).*

F. Public Comment on Items not listed on the Agenda

None

G. Comments by Commissioner

- Commissioner Gerrity told how a young boy who recently lost his father, was brought to visit Station 24 and had the best time. The guys were great and the boy loved it.
- Commissioner Gerrity stated we need to look at ahead to FY 18-19 Budget; zero up from this year and no reserve spending. Prepare ourselves for the future.
- Chairman Cross is in favor of taking the whole \$1.5 million and parking it in reserves.
- Commissioner Page agrees.
- Commissioner Henning stated we need to diversify our revenue.
- Commissioner Boyer we need increased revenue; in favor of raising taxes or whatever it takes to upgrade equipment.

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IV. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 6:50pm.

Duly passed with a vote of 6 to 0 and adopted in session on the 10th day of July.



Chairman Brian Cross



Commissioner Charles Cottiers

absent

Commissioner Kevin Gerrity



Commissioner Tom Henning



Commissioner Rob Boyer



Commissioner Jeff Page



Commissioner David Stedman