



MINUTES
GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
August 14, 2018

MEETING OPENED

Chairman Cross called to order the regular meeting of the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners meeting at 5:30pm., on August 14, 2018 at Administrative Headquarters. Present were Chairman Cross, Commissioners Page, Stedman, Cottiers, Gerrity, and Henning. Commissioner Boyer was absent. Executive Staff in attendance: Fire Chief Kingman Schuldt, Assistant Chief Sapp, Deputy Chief McLaughlin and Deputy Directors Bishop and Martin. Staff in attendance: Suanne Woeste and Nicole Chesser. Public in attendance: Trenton Mading, Joey Brown, David Borowski, Chris Tobin, Jeff Roll, Khris Klock, Jarett Cotter, Jeff Davenport, Forrest Campbell, Tom Purcell, George Danz, Others were in attendance but did not sign in.

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Chairman Cross 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

Chief Schuldt reported there were a total of 9 Firefighter fatalities for the month of July, bringing the total for 2018 to 58, followed by a moment of silence.

C. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Director Bishop stated an updated AIW and quote for III. New Business C. has been passed out. Commissioner Stedman moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

D. Approval of the GNFD Board Minutes for July 10, 2018

Commissioner Henning moved to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Cottiers seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

E. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Gerrity moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Cottiers seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

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 18-009

F. Awards and Recognition

Chief Schuldt congratulated Jeff Roll on his promotion to Captain. Also, recognized but not in attendance: 10 Year Service Award – Lt. T. Schilling and Captain Promotion – Scott Hogan.

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G. Fire Chief's Report

Chief Schuldt presented report as submitted and added the following:

- Doug Holden received notice of a matching kidney donor and travelled to Tampa this morning for surgery. Let's keep him in our thoughts and prayers.
- New Diesel Fuel Tender is parked out front. Cottiers – do we have a need for gasoline Fuel Tender? Cross - can we use Impact fees? Bishop- Yes. Page – can we meter the disbursement? Schuldt – yes. Cross – put unleaded gasoline fuel tender bought with Impact Fees on September's agenda.
- GNFD received \$48,000 from the sales of surplus vehicles and items.
- The District has received verbal commitment from GAC Land Sales Committee to secure two acres of land located at Golden Gate Blvd. and Desoto Blvd. for the purpose of an additional fire station when needed.
- Page - asked if an update on the Union member issue is available. Schuldt – it is my understanding the Union is addressing internal issues. Schuldt – the District is doing everything to make sure our employees are behaving correctly. The situation has been turned over to our legal team and they are addressing it.

H. Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan – Chairman Arroyo

Director Bishop stated Chairman Arroyo could not make meeting for medical reasons, but requested a special meeting for the 175 DROP in September. Cross – stated he received letter from Local 2396 President Trenton Mading announcing the Union is in support of proposal brought forward by Arroyo including the higher interest rate. Cross does not want to continue pushing this issue month to month. Page – I would be prepared to make a motion tonight. *Commissioner Page made a motion to implement a DROP Plan for the 175 FF Pension Plan to mirror the definition and detail of the FRS DROP. Commissioner Gerrity seconded.* Discussion continued among the Board. *Commissioner Cross call the question, motion passed 6-0.*

Director Bishop presented Rob Potteiger's letter of intent to remain on 175 Pension Plan Board of Trustees. *Commissioner Page moved to re-appoint Rob Potteiger to fill the District Resident Trustee Seat #2 on the Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan Board of Trustees. Commissioner Stedman seconded. Motion passed 6-0.*

I. Local 2396 Report

- President Trenton Mading stated negotiations are going slow, but good. Union will present financial packet to management at next meeting on 8/22/18.
- Special meeting scheduled for tomorrow 8/15/18 to discuss Out of Position – MOU; either letting it die or extending until contract is ratified.
- Chairman Cross asked about current issue in the news. Mading – not going to speak about internal Union issues at a board meeting, but I will say any Charity that has been promised anything from the Union has been made whole.

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II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Emergency Services Task Force**
No Update

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. AIW – Brush Truck 71 / Golden Gate Land Trust**
Director Bishop presented information from the GAC Land Sales Committee.
Commissioner Cottiers moved to authorize purchasing one new 2019 International 4x4 Type One brush truck from REV of Ocala and piggyback the Sarasota County bid, value \$212,725.44; funding as described. Commissioner Page seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
- B. AIW- Commissioner Retirement Rate**
Director Bishop presented the history of the Commissioner Retirement rates. Cross – how do we move it into the cheapest Elected Official Class and keep the rate as low as possible?
Bishop – if in FRS you remain in the regular rate class 8.26% versus Elected Official class 48.7%. Henning – can Commissioner make up the % difference in class using their salary?
Page – regardless of intent, is it legal to be in the regular class when you are an Elected Official. Director Bishop will follow up with FRS and report back to Board.
- C. AIW – SCBA Purchase**
Commissioner Gerrity moved to approve staff's recommendation with the utilization of Impact fees for the purchase of 25 SCBA, 50 air cylinders, 25 facepieces, and 11 amplifiers in the amount not to exceed \$169,814.83, utilizing Orange County Term Contract No. Y17-1095-MV. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
- D. AIW – Out of Position MOU Extension**
Commissioner Stedman moved to approve staff's recommendation to approve the Out-of-Position MOU between the District and Local 2396 be extended through ratification of the new CBA. Commissioner Cottiers seconds. Motion passed 6-0.
- E. Public Comment on Items not listed on the Agenda**
None
- F. Comments by Commissioners**
None

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IV. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.

Duly passed with a vote of 7 to 0 and adopted in session on the 12th day of September, 2018.



Chairman Brian Cross



Commissioner Charles Cortiers



Commissioner Kevin Gerrity



Commissioner Tom Henning



Commissioner Rob Boyer



Commissioner Jeff Page



Commissioner David Stedman