



MINUTES
GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
August 13, 2019

I. MEETING OPENED

Chairman Henning called to order the regular meeting of the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners meeting at 5:30pm., on August 13, 2019 at Administrative Headquarters. Present were Commissioners Henning, Page, Cottiers, Gerrity, and Stedman. Executive Staff in attendance: Fire Chief Schuldt, Director Bishop, Deputy Chiefs Hanson, Low, Martin and McLaughlin. Staff in attendance: Suanne Woeste and Nicole Chesser. Public in attendance Martie Morgan, Rusty Godette, Brandon Bunting, Pat Meulenberg, Jason Sellers, Jennifer Fowler-Hermes, Marcus Braswell, Brian Heath, John Richard, Kevin Nelmes, George Danz, Khris Klock, Joey Brown. Others were in attendance but did not sign in.

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Chairman Henning 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 4 firefighter fatalities for the month of July bringing the total for 2019 to 248, followed by a moment of silence.

C. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Cottiers moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Page seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Disposition of Fixed Assets 19-007 / IT Equipment
3. Disposition of Fixed Assets 19-008 / Communication Equipment
4. Disposition of Fixed Assets 19-009 / Honda Civic

D. Approval, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Director Bishop requested removing New Business III E. AIW- Marco Island / Fleet Contract Renewal (contract has not yet been received back from Marco Island).

Commissioner Gerrity moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

E. Approval of the GNFD Board Minutes for July 9, 2019

Commissioner Cottiers moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

F. Awards and Recognition

- 20 Year Service Award: Captain Rusty Godette
- 15 Year Service Award: DE Chris Citak
- Probation Completed: Firefighter James Farley
- Southeastern Assoc. of Fire Chiefs' H.D. Crossnine Award: Deputy Chief Hanson
- Special Districts Summit/ Technology: Innovation Award: Deputy Chief Hanson
- CPSE Fire Officer & Chief Training Officer Designation: Deputy Chief Low

H. Fire Chief's Report

Due to busy Agenda, Chief Schuldt presented report as submitted and asked if the Commissioners had any questions for him. The response from Commissioners was no.



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I. Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan

No report submitted.

J. Local 2396 Report - President Kevin Nelmes

- Labor Management continues to be productive.
- Forward movement with the Ballistics Program. Equipment has started to arrive and a catalog of inventory is being set up.
- Thanked the Board for allowing the Union attorney to be able to present tonight and asked that all questions for the Union regarding grievances be directed to Vice President Joey Brown.

II. OLD BUSINESS

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Grievance Hearing – Blanco *Time Specific 6:00pm

Director Bishop stated that as part of the CBA's Article 12, Grievance Procedure; grievances not resolved during mediation can be brought before the Board of Commissioners. Chairman Henning advised Union counsel Marcus Braswell and Management counsel Jennifer Fowler-Hermes, both sides shall have 10 minutes to present their position and each may request an additional 5 minutes if necessary.

Marcus Braswell presented the Union's position, then Jennifer Fowler-Hermes spoke for management. The Board asked questions of both and discussed the facts.

Commissioner Gerrity made a motion to sustain the District's position in the Blanco grievance. Commissioner Page seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

B. Grievance Hearing – Bunting *Time Specific Immediately Following III.A.

Marcus Braswell presented the Union's position on the Bunting grievance followed by Jennifer Fowler-Hermes for management. After much discussion and questions from the Board, both sides were out of time. The Board took no action on the Bunting grievance.

C. Commissioner Decorum

Commissioner Gerrity proposed a motion to sensor the Chairman and delegate the Vice Chair to take over on this item. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Commissioner Gerrity quoted from Robert's Rules of Order, terms that should not be used upon a member during debate. Discussion continued among the Board and it was agreed, inappropriate language should not be used. Vice Chair Cottiers called the vote. Motion passed 3-2. (Henning, Page).

D. AIW – FDOT MM63 Agreement

Director Bishop stated the new agreement between FDOT and GNFD is still under legal review. As required by the current Interlocal Agreement, the FDOT MM63 FY 19-20 annual budget was presented. *Commissioner Page moved to accept staff's recommendations and approve the FY 19-20 Florida Department of Transportation MM63 budget in the amount of \$1,555,555.50. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 5-0.*

E. AIW – Marco Island / Fleet Contract Renewal – (Removed From Agenda)



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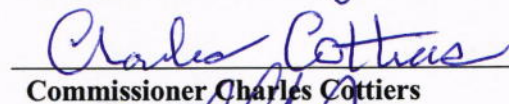
- F. AIW – Award Roof Bid Stations 72 & 20**
Commissioner Cottiers moved to accept staff's recommendation and award Due East Construction the bids to replace the roofs at stations 72 & 20. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- G. Public Comments items not listed on the Agenda**
None
- H. Comments by Commissioners**
None

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Duly passed with a vote of 5 to 0 and adopted in session on the 13th day August 2019.



Chairman Tom Henning



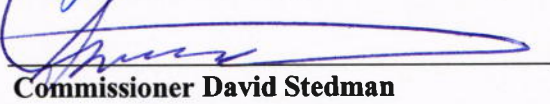
Commissioner Charles Cottiers



Commissioner Kevin Gerrity



Commissioner Jeff Page



Commissioner David Stedman