



MINUTES
GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
February 11, 2020

I. MEETING OPENED

Chairman Page called to order the regular meeting of the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners meeting at 5:30pm, on February 11, 2020 at Administrative Headquarters. Present were Commissioners Henning, Page, Cottiers, Stedman, and Gerrity. Executive Staff in attendance: Fire Chief Schuldt, Director Bishop, Assistant Chiefs Hanson, Low, McLaughlin and Martin. Staff in attendance: Suanne Woeste and Nicole Chesser. Public in attendance: Joey Brown, Tim Sims, Kevin Nelmes, Justin Beasley, Scott Hogan and David Borowski. Others were in attendance but did not sign in.

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Chairman Page 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 January bringing the total for 2020 to 9, followed by a moment of silence.

C. Consent Agenda

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

1. Treasurer's Report

D. Approval, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Director Bishop requested adding to section 1, item I. Awards and Recognition. Director Bishop also requested an executive session at the close of the BOFC meeting, for collective bargaining purposes only. Commissioner Gerrity requested moving II. Old Business A. before the Chief's report.

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

E. Approval of the GNFD Board Minutes for January 14, 2020

Chairman Page requested his name be corrected, as to opening the January 14, 2020 BOFC meeting in section 1. Meeting Opened. Commissioner Gerrity moved to approve the GNFD Board minutes as amended. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

F. Fire Chief's Report

Chief Schuldt presented report as submitted and added the following:

- A General Order was implemented to clearly define expectations and enforce existing policies, provide regular reports, and hold officers accountable to meet the standards established on turnout times.
- The District and Collier County have come to a verbal agreement on a plan to put a new Ochopee Service Agreement in place for the next 10 years. Staff is waiting for the County to provide a final draft agreement for review and presentation to the Board for consideration.



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G. Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan

Chairman Tim Sims reported the DROP Resolution has been tentatively agreed on between the Union and Management. The goal is to have a clean copy back from the attorneys, in time for the March BOFC meeting.

H. Local 2396 Report

- President Joey Brown reported 3 of the remaining 4 Articles have been TA'd, Wages is the only Article left. Impact Bargaining is set for the morning of 2/19, with Negotiations to follow. Negotiations are also scheduled for 2/27.
- Saturday 2/15, Union members will be out "filling the boot" for Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). Look for members on Santa Barbara and Golden Gate Parkway.
- President Brown would like to meet with the Chairman to discuss the recent BC settlement and the potential impact of it.

I. Award & Recognition

- 15 Year Service Award – Lieutenant Jordan Boutilier

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. AIW- FEMA/AFG Grant SCBA

Commissioner Gerrity moved to proceed with awarding Fisher Scientific the bid to provide new self-contained breathing apparatus in the amount of \$598,202.19. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. AIW – Marc / Communication Equipment

Commissioner Cottiers made a motion to authorize the funding and purchase of approved equipment based on the previously executed FY 2018 HSGP grant agreement R0001. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

B. AIW – GNFD Handbook Revision

Commissioner Cottiers moved to adopt the revised Employee Handbook dated February 11, 2020. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

C. AIW – F&LS Existing Inspection Requests

Assistant Chief Hanson presented statistical information considering the impacts of hiring additional staff to support a periodic inspection program. The Board express their desire to investigate further and requested to bring this item back next month.

D. AIW – Resolution 2020-03 – 175 PP Death and Disability Amendment

Commissioner Gerrity moved to authorize execution of Resolution 2020-03 Amending Pre-Retirement Death Benefits, Amending Section 9, Disability, Providing Compliance with Chapter 2019-21, Laws of Florida. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passes 5-0.

E. Public Comments items not listed on the Agenda

None



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F. Comments by Commissioners

- Commissioner Henning wished everyone a happy Valentine’s Day.
- Commissioner Stedman thanked Staff for information on turnout times. He would like Staff to look at deficient response times, in different zones and give a short narrative on the reason why.
- Commissioner Gerrity stated he heard North Collier is putting a unit in Station 74. Chief Schuldt responded that Assistant Chief Martin was at a meeting yesterday and was blind sighted by the news. Schuldt has calls out to EMS Chief Butcher and NC Fire Chief Ricardo.
- Commissioner Page requested to meet with Assistant Chief Hanson next week.

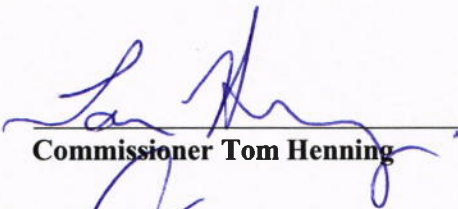
IV. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gerrity made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed 5-0, meeting adjourned. The Board and Executive Officers went into Executive Session.

Duly passed with a vote of 5 to 0 and adopted in session on the 10th day March 2020.



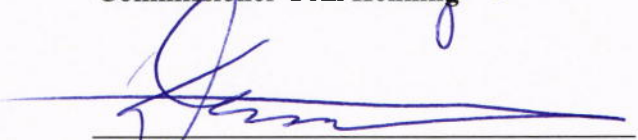
Chairman Jeff Page



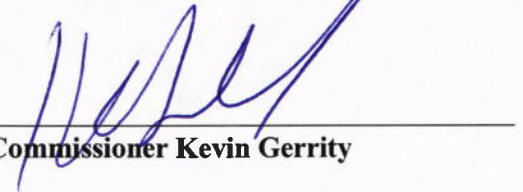
Commissioner Tom Henning



Commissioner Charles Cottiers



Commissioner David Stedman



Commissioner Kevin Gerrity