



FINAL APPROVED MINUTES
GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
September 12, 2023

I. MEETING OPENED

Vice-Chair Biondo called to order the regular meeting of the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners at 9:00 a.m., on September 12, 2023, at the Administrative Headquarters. Present were Commissioners Biondo, Cherney, Cross and Dearborn. (Duffy absent)

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

B. Consent Agenda

1. Treasurer Report
2. GNFD Board Minutes August 8, 2023
3. GNFD Workshop Minutes August 8, 2023
4. Ratification of Resolution 2023-05 State of Emergency Tropical Storm Idalia

Commissioner Dearborn moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Cross seconded. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

C. Approval, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Commissioner Cherney moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Dearborn seconded. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

D. Fire Chief's District Report

1. Fire Chief Sapp recognized the service awards for the month of August.
2. Fire Chief Sapp presented the Fire Chief's Report as submitted and announced 11 firefighter line-of-duty deaths for the month of August.
3. There was a discussion regarding not being able to collect impact fees if the District leases a building with the County.

E. Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan – Chairman Tim Sims

Chairman Tim Sims reported the Pension Plan is up 2.3% for the second quarter and invited the Board to attend the meeting in November. Discussion ensued.

F. Local 2396 Report – President Chris Diaz

President Chris Diaz reported that the District is having Driver Engineer testing soon and stated the 175 Pension Plan has saved the District money. President Diaz reported Negotiations have been going well and are around 85% complete. President Diaz stated the Union has been willing to help the District time and time again and it is time to come back to the Union; the Board needs to secure the District's financial future.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Boat 90 Assessment- Division Chief Morris

Division Chief Morris presented information regarding boat manufacturers. The Board recommended Staff to inspect the top three boats and test them to make sure the boats are what the District needs and develop a spec sheet to request bids.



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- B. AIW-Glatfelter Claim No. FLTR21080321 Settlement- Fire Chief Sapp**
Commissioner Cross moved to approve both settlement agreements for Wayne and Tara, and authorize Commissioner Biondo to sign on behalf of the District. Commissioner Cherney seconded. Commissioner Biondo spoke against the motion and against signing on behalf of the District.
Commissioner Cross withdrew his motion.
Commissioner Cross moved to authorize himself to sign on behalf of the District. Commissioner Cherney seconded. Motion passed 3-1. (Biondo)
- C. AIW- Mile Marker 63 Legislative Representation- Fire Chief Sapp**
Fire Chief Sapp presented the AIW as submitted.
Commissioner Cherney moved to approve. Commissioner Dearborn seconded. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.
- III. NEW BUSINESS**
- A. Resolution 2023-06 Chapter 175 Firefighters' Pension Plan Amendment- Chairman Tim Sims**
Chairman Tim Sims presented Resolution 2023-06 as submitted.
Commissioner Cross made a motion to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Biondo.
There was a discussion to table the Resolution until the next meeting and have the District's legal counsel review.
Commissioner Cross withdrew his motion and Commissioner Biondo withdrew his second.
- B. Broward County Automatic and Mutual Aid Agreement- Fire Chief Sapp**
Fire Chief Sapp presented the AIW as submitted.
Commissioner Cherney moved to approve the AIW. Commissioner Cross seconded. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.
- C. AIW- Brush 74- Fire Chief Sapp**
Fire Chief Sapp presented the AIW as submitted.
Commissioner Cross moved to approve the AIW as submitted. Commissioner Cherney seconded. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.
- E. Public Input for Issues Not Listed on the Published Agenda**
No public comments
- F. Comments by Commissioners**
No Commissioner comments
- IV. ADJOURNMENT**
Commissioner Dearborn made a motion to adjourn at 10:08 a.m. Commissioner Cross seconded. Meeting adjourned.