# MARCH 20, 2014 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014

Location: Administrative Offices, Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District, 2451 Trailmate

Drive, Sarasota, Florida, 34243

Present: Charles A. Durant, Chairman; Daniel Center, Vice Chairman; Melanie Marken,

Secretary; and Commissioner James Cena. Anthony Evans, Treasurer was absent. Also in attendance were Chief Brian Gorski, Deputy Chief Tim Berry, and Fire Marshal Leslie Aden. The attached guest list contains signatures of members of the

public.

### Call to Order

Chairman Durant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

## Moment of Silence/Pledge

A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Special Business**

Donation of Animal Resuscitation Mask will not be presented this evening. This will be rescheduled for April's meeting.

### **Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda was included in the Board packet. Commissioner Center motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Commissioner Cena seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Durant called for Public Comment and there was none.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

# 1. Board Budget Workshop Meeting Dates/Times

After some discussion, April 3 at 9:00 am was decided for the Budget Workshop.

### 2. Fire Department Physician

Chief Gorski reported that, after several phone attempts, he has sent a letter to him. It has been confirmed that the letter was received.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# 3. Automatic Aid Agreement with Sarasota County

Chief Gorski reported that in their packet was a copy of an Automatic Aid Agreement with Sarasota County. Commissioner Center motioned to approve the Automatic Aid Agreement with Sarasota County. Commissioner Cena seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

\* Pension Committee

Chief Gorski reported that today we received February's reports and the Firefighters fund made \$701,865. Chief Gorski also spoke briefly on the bills in front of the legislature. The next Trustee meeting will be Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 9:00 am.

- \* Manatee County Fire Commissioners Assn Meeting is April 7, 2014.
- \* Union Report

Adam Chevalier they are still working on the Directives. He also reminded all Commissioners about the Firefighters Dinner Dance on May 24, 2014.

# **VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION**

4. March 3, 2014 Minutes

Battalion Chief Smith reported that one of our current volunteer's was hired by East Manatee Fire. He is currently working on the newest volunteers.

# **CHIEF'S REPORT**

5. Chief Gorski gave an overview of his report. He also distributed Customer Satisfaction Surveys that have been received. Chief Gorski briefly reported on Resolutions/Policies that he will be bringing to April's meeting.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Durant called for Public Comment. Adam Chevalier asked for some clarification on the Automatic Aid Agreement.

# **COMMISSIONER'S/ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

Chairman Durant asked for commissioner comments. Commissioner Center asked for some clarification on the Budget Workshop, he asked for some Ad Valorem history.

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 17, 2014, 6:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Charles A. Durant, Chairman

Attest:

Melanie A. Marken, Secretary