

**MARCH 19, 2015
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT**

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2015

Location: Administrative Offices, Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District, 2451 Trailmate Drive, Sarasota, Florida, 34243

Present: Charles A. Durant, Chairman; Melanie Marken, Secretary; Anthony Evans, Treasurer; and Commissioner James Cena. Daniel Center, Vice Chairman was absent. Also in attendance were Chief Brian Gorski, Fire Marshal Leslie Adent, Deputy Chief Robert Bounds and Executive Management Assistant, Debbie Tuckerman. 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.

Invocation/Pledge

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

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was included in the Board packet. *Commissioner Marken motioned to accept the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Evans 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 discussion it was decided that the Workshop and April's Regular Meeting would be held on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at 9:00 am.

2. Compliance Inspection

Chief Gorski gave an overview of the completed Inspection.

3. Manatee County Government Transfer of HazMat Assets

HazMat assets were transferred to Southern Manatee for ownership.

NEW BUSINESS

4. 2014 Annual Report

Chief Gorski gave an overview of the report.

*** Promotion of Robert Bounds to Deputy Chief/Administration & Finance**

Formal promotion will take place at the April 8th meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- * **Pension Committee**
Chief Gorski gave a brief report.

- * **Manatee County Fire Commissioners Assn Meeting – April 6, 2015**
FYI

- * **Union Report**
Chief Gorski gave a brief report.

VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION

- No Meeting in March.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Gorski updated the Commissioners on his report. Chief Gorski asked the Board to approve a sole source vendor for detection equipment that is on the budget. *Commissioner Evans motioned to accept the sole source vendor for the purchase of the detection equipment. Commissioner Cena seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Durant called for Public Comment and recognized FF Bloski. FF Bloski reported that the HazMat team was at Cedar Hammock's Open House on Saturday, March 7.

COMMISSIONER'S/ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Chairman Durant asked for Commissioner comments. He recognized Fire Marshal Adent. Fire Marshal Adent reported that she is working on a grant for smoke alarms. She has also collected \$1,500 from Red Barn Flea Market and \$1,000 from Walmart to assist with the T-Shirt Program offered to schools in our district.

Chairman Durant noted that the next meeting will be a Regular Meeting and Budget Workshop on April 8, 2015 at 9:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.



Charles A. Durant, Chairman

Attest:



Melanie A. Marken, Secretary