

JULY 16, 2015
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2015

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; Anthony Evans, Treasurer; and Commissioner James Cena. Also in attendance were Chief Brian Gorski, Deputy Chief Robert Bounds, Fire Marshal Leslie Adent, 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.

Moment of Silence/Pledge

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

Special Business

Quarterly Employee Awards were presented. See attached list.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was included in the Board packet. *Commissioner Center motioned to accept the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Durant called for Public Comment and there was none.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update Firefighters Plan Adoption Agreement

Deputy Chief Bounds gave an overview of the minor changes to the Firefighters Pension Plan Adoption Agreement. *Commissioner Cena motioned to approve the Firefighters Pension Plan Adoption Agreement. Commissioner Center seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

2. FY16 Proposed Continuation Budget

Chief Gorski presented the Continuation Budget.

3. FY16 Projected Revenue

Chief Gorski and Deputy Chief Bounds presented the projected revenue for FY16.

NEW BUSINESS

4. **DR420**

Chief Gorski presented his suggested options for the Ad Valorem Millage for FY16. *Commissioner Center motioned to approve 1.2061 millage for the DR420. Commissioner Cena seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

5. **Open House – Fire Prevention Week**

Fire Marshal Adent gave an overview of the Open House scheduled for October 3, 2015 at Station 3 from 10 am to 2 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

* **Pension Committee**

Deputy Chief Bounds gave a brief update on the legislation issues that are affecting our Chapter 175 plan.

* **Union Report**

Adam reported that the Health Insurance Committee has been working diligently. There have been meetings or information almost weekly.

VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION

* **No Meeting in June.**

CHIEF'S REPORT

6. Chief Gorski gave an overview of his report. Chief Gorski distributed invitations to the Board for Jim Grote's retirement. He also distributed the latest Customer Satisfaction Surveys.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Durant called for Public Comment and there was none.

COMMISSIONER'S/ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Chairman Durant asked for commissioner comments.

Commissioner Center noted the Chief did a great job on the budget. He also inquired on the status of the Health Insurance RFP.

Commissioner Evans also noted great job on the budget.

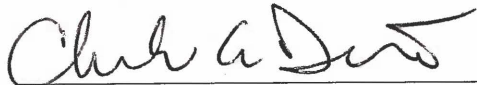
Commissioner Marken gave an update on the Manatee County Fire Commissioners Assn. meeting on July 6.

Commissioner Cena pointed out the discrepancy on the Customer Satisfaction Surveys. Chief Gorski did say they were incorrect.

Fire Marshal Adent gave an update from Prevention.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, August 20, 2015, 6:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



Charles A. Durant, Chairman

Attest:



Melanie A. Marken, Secretary