



SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT

Interoffice Memorandum

TO: The Southern Manatee Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM: Brian Gorski, Fire Chief ^{BC}
RE: **Chief's Report**
DATE: November 17, 2016

October 24, 2016 – During the first week of October I completed another grant with the Kaleo Pharmaceutical Company and was notified on October 6th that I was approved for free EVZIO Narcan .4mg Auto-injectors. Again, I wrote this grant on behalf of all of the Fire Districts. On October 24th, I received 100 kits (200 doses) of the EVZIO Narcan .4mg Auto-Injectors and distributed them to all of the Fire Districts based on prior years overdose statistics that I maintained. Both Cedar Hammock and Southern Manatee had the vast majority of the Overdose calls and received the majority of this free medication. I plan on submitting another grant in December 2016.

October 26, 27, 28, 2016 – All personnel were rotated through Administration over the course of three days for an in-service Training Program that was provided by Manatee County EMS over their new Community Paramedicine Program. This new program will focus on two main objectives, the first is to save health dollars by preventing unnecessary ambulance transports and emergency room visits and to improve health outcomes among the target patient populations. Examples of the target population are mental health and substance abuse patients, patients who experience frequent falls, diabetic patients and congestive heart failure or chronic lung disease patients.

October 27, 2016 – I attend the monthly Fire Chief's meeting. Chief Hoyle was given our signed Interlocal agreement and fee resolution to add to everyone else's and will now take them all to Manatee County Government for ratification and implementation. With the Appeals Board, Chief Hoyle reported that they now

have people for the Appeals Board, including an attorney, all Districts will need to adopt a resolution naming these individuals as the official appeals board. This resolution should come to you for action either in December or January.

November 1, 2016 - Completed the "Bulk" renewal of all our employee's EMT and Paramedic Certifications, everyone is now current until 12/1/2018.

November 2, 2016 - Inspector Larry Betts and I went to Sarasota County Fixed Asset Department to pick up surplus items that we obtained from them. We picked up 3 Panasonic Semi-Rugged Tough Books (CF-53's), which were in excellent condition and only 2.5 years old, besides being in excellent condition, these Tough Books had the touch screen feature and moveable screens allowing this to be turned into a notepad. Additionally we picked up a box of computer speakers, wheeled computer cart to store/transport our lap tops, 2 small collapsible tables, white boards, easels and boxes of 3-ring binders of all sizes.

The many laptop computers that we received in the past are really working out great. Robert put some of these in all of the Stations for our personnel to use to complete their Telestaff, Target Solutions Training and their email and we put about 10 in the class room here at Administration which worked out great when we did our recent update into the State of Florida, Department of Health, Office of EMS new on-line portal and the actual hands on training with our new Fire Programs incident reporting software.

November 7, 8, 9, 2016 - Lieutenant Conner and Inspector Betts provided the in-service Training to all personnel over the new version of Fire Programs (Wild-Fire) incident reporting software. This new software will go live on Monday, November 14.

November 7, 2016 - Put together a Training Program over the use of I-gel's (Advanced Airways) for Cedar Hammock and provided them with an intubation head for actual practice, training video and assorted I-gels to use.

November 8, 2016 - Set up the next two years of EMS Continuing Education Topics for all of our personnel to ensure that all personnel meet the 30 hour continuing education requirement as well as the required BLS and ALS certifications by December 1, 2018.