

**FEBRUARY 16, 2017
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT**

Date: Thursday, February 16, 2017

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 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 5:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Invocation/Pledge

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

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Chief Gorski awarded several promotions. Captain Bobby Thayer, Captain Mike Bloski, Lieutenant Brian Hodges and Lieutenant Ed Tumolo were all pinned by members of their family. Retired Captain Mark Crawford was presented a plaque by his shift training officers.

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

- * **Update ALS Non-Transport & Manatee Co. COPCN Ordinance Amendment**
Chief Gorski gave an update on the Ordinance.
- * **Update on Hiring Process**
Chief Gorski updated the board on the process. We have two firefighters left to hire.
- * **Dr. Avila – Department Physician**
Chief Gorski reported that his is continuing to work with Dr. Avila on becoming our department physician.
- * **Safer Grant**
Chief Gorski reported that the grant was completed and submitted on time.

NEW BUSINESS

* **Designation of FY16 Carryover - Discussion**

Chief Gorski presented his distribution of the FY16 carryover to the board. *Commissioner Center motioned to accept the FY16 Carryover as presented. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

* **Pension Committee**

Deputy Chief Bounds gave a brief report on the status of the pension plans.

1. **General Plan & OPEB 2017 Budget.**

Deputy Chief Bounds gave an overview of the budgets for the General and OPEB plans for 2017. *Commissioner Center motioned to accept the 2017 General and OPEB budgets. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

* **January MCFComA Meeting – January 23, 2017**

Commissioner Cena reported on the meeting.

* **Union Report**

Chief Gorski reported that there is an SOP/Directives meeting scheduled for February 28. There is also a boot drive on March 3, 4 and 5.

VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION

* **No Meeting**

CHIEF'S REPORT

2. Chief Gorski gave a brief overview of his report. He also distributed 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 thanked the Chief for his direction on the carryover. Commissioner Cena asked for demographics of the district. Commissioner Marken spoke about the ALS engine and Safer Grant. Chairman Durant spoke about the ladder truck.

Chairman Durant reported that the next meeting will be March 16, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Charles A. Durant, Chairman

Attest:



Melanie A. Marken, Secretary