

AUGUST 17, 2017
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

Date: Thursday, August 17, 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; 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 5:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Invocation/Pledge

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

SPECIAL BUSINESS

None

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was included in the Board packet. *Commissioner Evans 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. FY18 – FY26 Projected Finances (Revenues and Expenses)

Chief Gorski and Deputy Chief Bounds went over the projection.

*** SAFER Grant**

Chief Gorski went over the expectations of the grant along with projections. *Commissioner Evans motioned to accept the SAFER Grant as presented. Commissioner Cena seconded the motion. The motion carried with 4 votes for and 1 vote against.*

*** FY18 Proposed Budget**

Chief Gorski reported that the board had his proposed budget from the last meeting. There will be a vote in September.

NEW BUSINESS

2. 2017-2018 Schedule of Regular Meetings

Chief Gorski presented the schedule of meetings for 2017-2018. *Commissioner Evans motioned to approve the 2017-2018 Schedule of Regular Meetings. Commissioner Center seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- * **Pension Committee**
Chairman Foss reported on the earnings for the current period.

- * **Union Report**
Adam had nothing to report at this time.

VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION

- 3. August 2, 2017 Minutes - FYI

CHIEF'S REPORT

- 4. Chief Gorski gave a brief overview of his report. Chief also reported that Battalion Chief Blanco will be promoted to Deputy Chief of Operations effective October 1, 2017. He will be pinned at the September 14 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

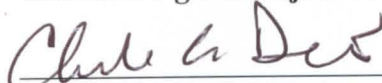
Chairman Durant called for Public Comment and there was none.

COMMISSIONER'S/ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Chairman Durant asked for Commissioner comments. Commissioner Center reminded the board that he will not be at the September 14 meeting. Fire Marshal Adent gave a brief update on the Open House activities. Chairman Durant thanked staff for their hard work on the projections and budget.

The next meetings will be public hearings on Thursday, September 7, 2017, 5:00 pm to adopt the Tentative Millage and Budget along with a meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2016, 5:00 pm for the Tax Appeals, Adopt Final Millage and Budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.



Charles A. Durant, Chairman

Attest:



Melanie A. Marken, Secretary