



SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT

Interoffice Memorandum

TO: The Southern Manatee Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM: Brian Gorski, Fire Chief
RE: **Chief's Report**
DATE: April 19, 2018

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March 12, 2018 – Staff had a meeting with Karen Morinelli, Labor Attorney over the revision of our Military Leave Policy to ensure that it is compliant with the most current Florida Statute.

March 13, 2018 – Staff had a meeting with Maggie Mooney-Portale and David Jackson over the Manatee County Recovery Ordinance and the development of a resolution that each Fire District will adopt that designates Manatee County to collect on their behalf. The Fire Districts recently did adopt similar resolutions over the collection of Review Fees (Inspection) and Impact Fee's.

March 20, 2018 – Picked up over \$5000.00 worth of EMT and Paramedic Books for our Stations and for our Library. The vast majority of these books were still wrapped in their original packaging material. Even though they are either 1 or 2 editions old, they are still good and can be used for completion of our personnel's EMT-Paramedic Continuing Education requirements. In addition to these books I also received DVD's full of Paramedic Training skills, such as EKG's, 12 Leads, IV and IO skills.

March 21 through March 26 – Off due to my daughter's wedding.

March 22, 2018 – I had Robert and Rick attend the monthly Manatee County Fire Chief's meeting.

March 26, 2018 – I was invited to talk about Fire Safety to the residents of the University Park Country Club. Deputy Younger from the Manatee County Sheriff's Department was present as well to talk to the residents about crime prevention. We spoke to over 100 residents in their Country Club.

March 26-28, 2018 – Staff began checking daily on the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) website for their posting of the Florida's Personal Income Growth data. As soon as this data is posted we will run the numbers for our April 2018 Board meeting.

April 2, 2018 - Southern Manatee Fire Rescue District hosted the Manatee County Fire Commissioners quarterly meeting at the Administration Center. Staff provided a 10 minute presentation over the Manatee County Hazardous Materials Recovery Ordinance and the necessary consenting resolution that each District needs to adopt. Additionally we gave each District a copy of our Annual Report.

April 4, 2018 - Chief Blanco and I volunteered to assist MTI in the selection process of applicants applying for the Russell Randolph Scholarship Fund, which was set up after his death to pay for the tuition of Fire and EMT school for a candidate that could demonstrate financial need. Our first meeting was at Manatee Technical Institute with school staff to discuss the application process for this scholarship.

April 10, 2018 – Attended the Fire Advisory Board meeting in the morning and in the afternoon I attended the EMS Advisory Board meeting at STC for the purposes of reviewing program curriculum and program hours for the next EMT and Paramedic classes and new accreditation requirements for the Paramedic program.

April 16 through April 26, 2018 – Provided in-service training to all of our personnel over the new 2018 BLS / ALS Treatment Protocols. With these new protocols our personnel will be able to now perform CPAP on a severe congestive heart failure – pulmonary edema patient. CPAP is the ultimate treatment for CHF/PE patients and has been pushed down as an EMT skill over 3 years ago. After meeting with Dr. Nonell and Manatee County EMS Staff I was able to convince them to allow EMT's to perform this treatment. Dr. Nonell really liked my protocol that I developed and he incorporated to be used county-wide. Another great achievement for Southern Manatee Fire Rescue District.