

**APRIL 16, 2020
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT**

Date: Thursday, April 16, 2020

Location: Administrative Offices, Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District, 2451 Trailmate Drive, Sarasota, Florida, 34243 and via teleconference.

Present: In attendance were Chief Brian Gorski, Deputy Chiefs Robert Bounds and Rick Blanco, Captain Bobby Thayer, Executive Management Assistant Debbie Tuckerman, and Information Technology Specialist Shawn Myles.

Call to Order

Chairman Center called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Meeting Instructions

Chairman Center read the meeting instructions as this was a telephonic meeting.

Roll Call (via teleconference)

Daniel Center, Chairman; Melanie Marken, Vice-Chair, Secretary & Treasurer; James Cena; Anthony Evans and James Grote, Commissioners were in attendance via GotoMeeting. DVP Derek Foss was also attending via phone.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

- None

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was included in the Board packet. *Commissioner Grote motioned to accept the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Center called for Public Comment and there was none.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Coronavirus Update**
Chief Gorski updated the board.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personal Income Growth for 2020 – Impact to Rates

Deputy Chief Bounds updated the board on the Personal Income Growth for 2020 and its impact to the rates.

2. 2019 Annual Report

Chief Gorski reported that the 2019 Annual Report was ready for distribution. He went over the highlights and noted that each commissioner will get a copy soon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

* **Pension Committee**

Deputy Chief Bounds reported that the trustee meeting was cancelled for April. Hopefully, it will be held in May.

* **Union Report**

Derek Foss reported that the MOU's were, almost unanimously, agreed upon by vote.

CHIEF'S REPORT

3. Chief Gorski's report was submitted previously. Deputy Chief Bounds reported that the draft of the 2019 Audit has just been received. We hope to present the audit at May's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Center called for Public Comment and there was none.

COMMISSIONER'S/ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Chairman Center asked for commissioner comments. All commissioners thanked the staff for everything that they do to keep them informed.

Chairman Center reported that the next meeting will be on Thursday, April 23, 2020 at 3:30 pm. Deputy Chief Bounds reminded the commissioners that May's Public hearing on May 21 will be at 5:00 p.m. as required.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.



Daniel J. Center, Chairman

Attest:



Melanie A. Marken, Vice Chairman/Secretary/Treasurer