

**FORT MYERS SHORES FIRE & RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
March 16, 2023
MINUTES**

Call Meeting to Order

Commissioner Detzel called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Detzel, Ragen, Schneider, Shewmaker and Kressel. Also in attendance were Deputy Chief Lamb, Attorney Pringle, Admin. Asst. Howard, Captain Swindle, Engineer/DVP Hunt, FF Schumacher and Tim Jones from Local 1826.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Amendments to the Agenda - None

Presentations/Awards - None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for February 2023 were presented for approval. Commissioner Ragen made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Schneider seconded and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Account balances at February 28, 2023 :

Operating Account: \$6,509,130.71 Impact Fee Account: \$1,620,801.33 C.D.A.R.S. Accounts:
\$5,765,077.39 Synovus Construction Account: \$1,417,797.63 Synovus Loan Payment Account:
\$189,500.50

Commissioner Ragen made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Schneider seconded and the motion passed.

Chief/Prevention Report – Deputy Chief Lamb reviewed Chief Rewis' report

Chief's Report

- DC Lamb contacted Vector Solutions to review the staffing software they have. We are looking at programs to see what will work for us with the growth of the District.
- Engine 83 is back in service. The EGR had to be replaced and while they were making repairs a couple of other minor issues were found and repaired.
- We had our kickoff meeting with Special District Services for the required performance audit. They will be sending over the data they need to collect from us to start the process.
- The engine workgroup is going to be going to Wisconsin March 27th -30th for the final inspection for the two new engines.
- We have sent out the notice to the employees for promotional testing to be conducted May 10th and 11th for the preparation of opening Station 82.

Fire Prevention Division Report

Current Construction: No change from last month.

New Construction: None to report.

Projects Completed: Riverdale Library remodel

Revenues: The division billed \$928.62 for the month.

Meetings Attended: Rotary, Lee County FMIA, River Hall CDD, Florida Arson Alert Board Meeting

Education: Emerging Technology and Trends

Public Education: Cub Scout pack 239 visited C-Shift at the station.

Inspections: The division completed 41 inspections for the month of February including 23 re-inspections.

Commissioner Schneider made a motion to accept the Chief's Report. Commissioner Ragen seconded and the motion passed

Attorney's Report – Attorney Pringle reserved his comments until New Business.

Commissioner Schneider made a motion to accept the Attorney's Report. Commissioner Ragen seconded and the motion passed

Operations Division Report

Items of Interest

- Annual hydrant inspection, maintenance and flow testing is nearing completion.
- Bunker gear sizing is complete for all personnel.
- Annual blood draws for physicals.
- Brush truck strike team deployed to Charlotte County and NFM (A-Shift, Capt. Jones)
- River Hall Elementary Spring Fling
- Call Data: Feb. 1st – 28th = 162 calls for service generating 193 vehicle responses. YTD Jan. 1st - Feb. 28th = 376 calls for service, generating 496 vehicle responses. We are still trending to slightly more calls in Zone 82 than Zone 81.

Meetings attended - Lee County Fire Chiefs, Officers meeting, Lee County Fire Chiefs training group, promotional testing, Medical Care Council, Annual IMT with FFS and LCFCFA

Training - Daily functional fitness with crews, district familiarization, Live Fire Instructor, various inspections with Chief Rewis, new firehose and nozzle review/implementation, Dr Atiyeh – EMS in-service on respiratory emergencies

Commissioner Ragen made a motion to accept the Operations Division Report. Commissioner Schneider seconded and the motion passed.

Training Report

- Daily Training: Functional training and circuit style workouts; truck checks; SCBA and gear checks; Target Solutions
- Monthly Training: Ladder inspection and proper use; one pre-incident plan per shift; R.I.T. drills; Fire Ground drills; Hydraulics/Apparatus; EMT
- Upcoming Training: East Lee County Co-op
- A-Shift: Morning workouts, Glenn and Salyers passed FO1 test, Target Solutions, studying for Engineer Exam, hydrant maintenance
- B-Shift: Swindle completed college course for Bachelors, Swindle taking HazMat Tech, Schumacher taking classes for FO1, Janey passed FO1 test, Pledger completed Incident Safety and Health and Safety Officer classes, Marine 81 training with Sackman, Sackman completed 3-month probationary test, hydrant maintenance

- C-Shift: Peterson and Taylor completed Incident Safety and Health and Safety Officer classes, Taylor VMR Ops and Instructor 1, Peterson Instructor 1, hydrant maintenance, Marine 81 training

Commissioner Ragen made a motion to accept the Training Report. Commissioner Detzel seconded and the motion passed.

Public Input on Agenda Items - None

Old Business - None

New Business

1. Approval for use of \$1,000,000 Impact Fees toward construction and equipment for Station 2. There was also discussion of options for using additional Impact Fees toward the construction and equipment. Commissioner Kressel asked Mr. Pringle to request clarification from Lee County as to the allowed use of future Impact Fees toward the Station. It is clear that the District is authorized to use any Impact Fee revenue currently on deposit or received prior to the completion of the station. We will have further discussion of the Impact Fees in the April meeting.

Commissioner Schneider made a motion to approve the use of the budgeted \$1,000,000 of Impact Fees toward the construction and equipment for Station 2. Commissioner Ragen seconded and the motion passed.

Public Input on Non-Agenda Items - None

Union Report - DVP Hunt: We are updating the overtime policy and should have it finalized soon. DVP seats for Districts 18 and 20 are up for election next week.

Comments from Commissioners:

- Commissioner Ragen: Everyone is doing a great job.
- Commissioner Schneider: Thank you.

- Commissioner Shewmaker: Thank you – everyone is doing a great job.
- Commissioner Kressel: I came to the station this month and met with Deputy Chief Lamb and C-Shift. I toured the station and went to see the progress on Station 2. The shift showed me Station 1 including the recently remodeled living quarters. I was very impressed by the pride the crews take in the place they work and live while they are here. I am glad to be part of the department.
- Commissioner Detzel: Thank you to everyone. Be safe!

Adjourn

Commissioner Kressel made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ragen seconded and the motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.