

MINUTES
OF
COMMISSION MEETING

Present for May 8, 2019

Commissioners - Muench - Cochrane - McCurry
Chief Scott
Administrator Hickey
Fire Marshal Rick Tassoni
Training Officer Barrett

Commissioner Muench opened the meeting at 9:00 AM.

Commissioner Cochrane led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In the audience were the following: Tiffany Repecki - Breeze Newspaper - John Reitenbach - Cliff Steele - Mike Martin - Kevin Barbot - Tony Fontaine - Robert Doerr - Clement - Chris Jackson - Todd Walter - Brian Howell.

Assistant Chief Briscoe was excused due to a prior commitment.

Moment of silence for Officer Neri and his family.

1st Order of Business: The minutes from the April 10th, 2019, meeting were reviewed and accepted by the Board Members. A motion was made by Commissioner McCurry to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was second by Commissioner Cochrane. There was no discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.

2nd Order of Business: Training Officer Barrett discussed fire training for the month, which included general review. Medical training included Infectious disease and infectious waste and how to handle it. Working on vehicle extrication, using several vehicles to proactive extrications. Taught the annual CPR training at Sanibel School to students in the 6th grade. The District received a Proclamation from the City of Sanibel, for the District helping them with the protecting of our surrounding waters. The County's MERT program (Mutual Emergency Response Team), is now being put in to practice by other Counties throughout the State.

3rd Order of Business: Chief Scott stated that the calls for April were at 140, which were down by 23 from the 163 calls in 2018. Overall, we are still on track to have an increase of calls for the year. Fires: During the last month we have had a Dump truck fire, due to locked up brakes on Sanibel Captiva Road and a 30 LB tank of propane gas that exploded, with no fire at a private home, on Sand Castle in the Dunes. In both cases there was lot of destruction there were no injuries in either. Equipment update - the tower at Station 172 is installed. Motorola will be out to install the antennas. Engine 172 was out of service for a month with an oil leak; cost of the repair was \$18,000.

4th Order of Business: Fire Marshal Tassoni stated that the site at Big Arts is exploding with construction. They are literally "flying" through the project - deadline is December. Inspections are up to date.

5th Order of Business: Financials were reviewed with the Commissioners. See attached.

6th Order of Business: Chief Scott stated that the Cancer Bill was signed into law on July 1st, 2019. The Florida Fire Marshal's, office will be reviewing, establishing and finalizing the rules, that will have to be associated with this ruling. There will be an initial payment of \$25,000 paid by the departments to help cover expenses and each department will be responsible to cover the co-payments as they occur for the individual, for ten (10) years. Retirees will also be entitled to this benefit, if they are diagnosed with cancer within the first ten (10) years of their retirement.

7th Order of Business: Chief Scott announced that he is renaming several positions within the chain of command for the District. Assistant Chief Briscoe will now be Deputy Chief of Operations, Training Officer Barrett, will now be Division Chief of Training and Fire Marshal Tassoni, will now be Division Chief of Prevention. There will be no pay structure change associated with the position name changes.

8th Order of Business: The new truck delivery has been pushed back 4 weeks and should be delivered in October rather than September of this year. Chief Scott asked the Board to donate the existing reserve pumper. He stated several ideas, such as to a Department in the Pan handle area of Florida or to North Captiva

9th Order of Business: Copies of the revised Policy Manuel, were given to the Commissioners for their review.

10th Order of Business: There were no "years of service" to acknowledge for the month of April.

11th Order of Business: Commissioner Cochrane asked if we are revisiting the Union contract, regard wages for this upcoming fiscal year. The Chief stated that there was a meeting schedule with the Union to review the Article.

12th Order of Business: There was no public comment.

13th Order of Business: Commissioner Cochrane made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 AM. Commissioner Muench seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONER MUENCH

COMMISSIONER COCHRANE

COMMISSIONER MC CURRY