

NORTH FORT MYERS FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE SERVICE
DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 18, 2026

Chairman Michael Gatewood called the North Fort Myers Fire Control and Rescue Service District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Commissioner Michael Gatewood
Commissioner Tom Mere
Chief Jeremy Dunn
Assistant Chief John Manson
Office Manager Monique Brooks
Public Education Officer Christi Fulton
Admin Specialist Emily Grgurich
Attorneys Remotely: Hunter O'Connor

Commissioner Bill Schaible
Commissioner James Land
Commissioner Danny Ballard

Absent: Fire Marshal Rick Jones Assistant Chief of Training Eric Klos
Union Representative Josh Ballard

Invocation: Commissioner Mere

Pledge: Commissioner Schaible

Public Input: None

Swearing in of New Firefighter: Firefighter Kuhn was sworn in as Firefighter by Chief Dunn.

Minutes:

Commissioner Schaible made a motion to approve the April 20, 2026 minutes, as written. Seconded by Commissioner Land. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0. (1)

Monique reminded the Board that their Form 1 is due by July 1st.

Treasurer's Report: The April Treasurer's Report was presented. At this time, we are 59% through the budget year, received 98% of revenues (including carryover) and spent 68% of expenditures (less reserves). There were no questions or comments. (2)

Chief's Report:

By Chief Dunn–

- Billboard is gone
- Annual Physicals are finishing this week
- G brought in a cybersecurity training course at our station
- Suncoast Beverage held a Firefighter Appreciation Ceremony for our crews at their facility

By Asst. Chief Manson-

- Pole Barn is up at station 3
- Engine 2 is still down at Ten-8
- New Brush Truck is at Lightning Wireless
- Engine 5 was donated to Braxton College
- Chief Westra will be going to Ten-8 with the Truck Committee and to begin researching aerial trucks

Commissioner Land – did we get rid of the old BC vehicle? Yes. Commissioner Gatewood – do all of our vehicles have cameras installed? No. Commissioner Gatewood stated that he would like to have cameras installed in all department vehicles. We will look into that.

Prevention: Report attached. There were no questions or comments.

Public Education: CERT teamed up with the Sheriff's Office and they have completed the Weather Seminars for the year.

Training: Report attached. Chief Manson – 2 units per shift attended live fire training

Union: All good

Old Business:

- **Update on Pondella Road Fire Station**

Chief Dunn stated that the Architect should have the plans ready for further review by July 15th.

New Business:

- **2024/2025 Audit Presentation by Jeff Tuscan**

Jeff Tuscan presented the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Audit. This year you have a fiduciary fund which is new due to the VEBA. Also, due to new reporting requirements, the District must record any time that an employee can be paid for or can take time off for. Commissioner Ballard – how does the new rule on no tax on overtime affect the District? The District just needs to report how much overtime the employee made. There were no further questions or comments. **Commissioner Mere made a motion to accept the 2024/2025 Audit, as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Land. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0. (3)**

- **Declare 2002 Dodge Brush truck as Surplus Equipment and Disposal**

Chief Manson – this vehicle is at the end of its life and we have been building a new brush truck.

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to declare the 2002 Dodge Brush truck as Surplus Equipment, and allow Administration to sell it. Seconded by Commissioner Schaible. The motion was put to vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0.

Commissioner Items: None

Public Input: Jeff Tuscan thanked Monique and staff for making the audit process smooth.

Community Goodwill & Thank You:

Letter for Firefighter Miller

Commissioner Schaible made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Land. The motion was put to a vote, and approved by the Board. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Supportive Documents:

1. April 20, 2026 Minutes
2. April Treasurer's Report
3. 2024/2025 Audit