



Marion County Fire Rescue Emergency Services Advisory Board Meeting

March 9th, 2010

I. Call To Order- 4:04 by Chairperson Pat Gabriel. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Members Present:

Paul Clark, COO Munroe Regional Medical Center

Chief Dan Gentry

Dr. Frank Fraunfelter, Medical Director, MCFR EMS

Dr. Karen Gold

Thomas Lorio

Pat Gabriel, Chairperson

Members Absent:

Rex Etheredge-(Excused)

Bill Glass-(Excused)

Others in Attendance:

Chief Stuart McElhaney, Deputy Chief Dan Azzariti, Chief Shari Hall, Chief David Cooper, Chief Paul Nevels, Chief Bart Walker, Chief Richie Maxwell, Karl Oltz, Bill McConnell, Peveeta Persaud, Miranda Iglesias, Cindy Marihugh, Dr. Lee Niblock, Anna Carpenter

Attendance taken by: Felicia Grasty

III. Minutes:

Minutes from the February 9th, 2010 presented and approved

A. Five Year Plan Update

5 Year Master Plan binders were handed out

- By promoting Lieutenants, will allow 12 open positions as well as, reduce overtime at the lieutenant level
- 3.5 officers needed per shift
- Currently \$1.2 million spent in overtime

- Savings of \$107K annually
- Tom Lorio question was: "What about acting out of Class"-Chief Azzariti says that you still have to have the skill set. Chief Azzariti also adds that overtime after 40 causes the majority of the overtime
- No reduction of service level
- We are budgeted to have 4 personnel on the engine, however we have 1 officer and 2 firefighters on
- High Performance vehicles are the units that are the busier units, that optimize the amount of call volume

IV Staffing:

- Elimination of 3 Assistant Chief Positions
- 1 Position has been reclassified as a Captain
- 1 Position has retired effective March 12th
- 1 Position will phase out effective April 1st

The proposed organizational restructure in the 5 year plan explains the Shift Commander and the Shift Supervisor

- BC1=Shift Commander who is in charge of 5 districts and Hazmat/Tech Rescue
- BC2=Shift Supervisor who is in charge of EMS Transport, Safety, Risk Management

We will also be looking at the responding from Operations (Maricamp Rd.

Dispatch will be moving back under Fire Rescue. With the downturn of the economy, we could take some major hits-Chief Azzariti

Chief McElhaney also offers that it will cut operating expenses

Dr. Fraunfelter explains to Tom Lorio that they will maintain the same certifications

Karl Oltz shares that the dispatch command center is dual accredited -and 13th in the world!

This move will happen towards the end of the month

2010-2011 Budget

Hand Outs were provided

- Proposed Budget is \$3.6, we are currently at \$3.3
- All tax payers are paying a millage rate to contribute to the fund
- Reduced funds to the Clothing/Apparel, Training/Material Supplies on the EMS & Fire side
- Chief Cooper shares that we have changed companies that we purchase our bunker gear from. This gave us more wear out of the gear, going from about 2 year life expectancy, to about 4 ½

to 5 years. Chief McElhaney says some Fire Departments say that theirs doesn't even last 3 years

- Also the reduction in overtime went from 2.5million to 1.8million-this is based on the Lieutenant promotions
- Capital is down from 5million down to 3million-part of this is residual carry forward money for building fire stations-we are getting to the end of constructions
- Weirsdale Renovation, Station 27, is proposed for 2013-2014
- Balance of the \$1.6million will be used for construction of the Ft. McCoy Station
- \$13.million projected revenue for this year as well as next year
- Chief McElhaney proposes that we "fund" the 15 positions and not "fill" them; this can be revisited next fiscal year
- The 2 primary assessments for Fire Rescue's Revenue are:
 - A. Non ad valorem (\$165.99) and millage rate (1.83mills) totaling \$37.8million. Next year's projection is \$36.8m
 - Paul Clark mentions that Fire Rescue's operating cost were down \$500k and staffing cost was down by \$300k

Chair Pat Gabriel asked:

"When is the time line for the draft to become an adoptive plan?"

Chief McElhaney states that he would like to bring it back to the board next meeting for review and have a workshop if necessary

Paul Clark makes a motion to accept the draft as it is now and to review the cleaned up version at the next meeting
Motion seconded by Dr. Karen Gold

Once the plan is reviewed, approved and adopted, it will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners

Dr. Fraunfelter shares the status of taking CPR. He is still formulating a plan with both hospitals and Fire agencies

He is still looking at May (EMS Week), he explains that it is all about the space, numbers, times, and staffing

He will keep us posted and provide us with more information at the next meeting

Miranda will get with Ryan at Munroe Regional for PR

6. Board Member Items-N/A

7. Meeting Adjourned @ 5:27

Next Meeting will be held April 20th, 2010 4pm, at EOC-698 NW 30th Ave

Minutes submitted by Felicia Grasty

Approved:

Date:

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Pat Gabriel, Chairperson