



**NORTH COLLIER FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

MINUTES

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024 ■ 9:00 AM
1885 Veterans Park Drive ■ Naples, FL 34109

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Feder called meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. With four of five commissioners present (James Burke, James Calamari, Christopher Crossan, and Norman Feder), quorum was met. Commissioner Christopher Lombardo was absent.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Calamari asked for a moment of silence for the fallen firefighter victim of the July 13, 2024 presidential political rally in Pennsylvania.

3. APPROVAL, ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve agenda as presented. Commissioner Burke seconded.
MOTION CARRIED 4:0

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 30, 2024 Board of Fire Commissioners' Meeting (CORRECTED)

B. June 27, 2024 Board of Fire Commissioners' Meeting

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve both sets of minutes as presented. Commissioner Crossan seconded. MOTION CARRIED 4:0

5. CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Eloy Ricardo gave a verbal report. Deputy Chief Jorge Aguilera gave a verbal report

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. June 2024

Commissioner Calamari read prepared summary of financial highlights for June 2024 Treasurer's Report. Board accepted report as presented into record.

7. LABOR REPORT

None



8. CONSENT AGENDA

Table 1: Expenditures for Board approval

Category	Amount
General Fund Unbudgeted	\$38,027
General Fund Emergency Purchases	\$0
Addition of Fixed Assets	\$0
Deletion of Fixed Assets	\$0
Other	\$0

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Crossan seconded. MOTION CARRIED 4:0

9. OLD BUSINESS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Request Approval to Submit Form DR-420-MM-P Maximum Millage Levy Calculation Preliminary Disclosure for the Big Corkscrew Island Service Delivery Area and the North Naples Service Delivery Area as Required by the Florida Department of Revenue

Chief Financial Officer Ben VanKlengeren gave verbal summary of agenda item. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Calamari moved to approve as presented per staff recommendation the Maximum Millage Levy preliminary disclosure at the proposed mill rate of 1.00 for North Naples Service Delivery Area and 3.75 for Big Corkscrew Island Service Delivery Area. Commissioner Burke seconded. MOTION CARRIED 4:0

B. Request Approval of Amendment #3 to Contract Between District and Access MD/Dr. Paul Hobaica

Commissioner Crossan moved to approve as presented per staff recommendation Amendment #3 to the amended medical clinic services contract between the District and Access MD/Dr. Paul Hobaica acknowledging the update to the number of eligible patients for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Commissioner Burke seconded. MOTION CARRIED 4:0



C. Request Approval to Renew Firefighter Cancer Insurance Policy for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve as presented per staff recommendation 1) that the District does not place out for bid cancer insurance coverage, but remain with United Badges for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and 2) continue with current coverages; and 3) approve the increase of the lifetime maximum benefit for Class 1 and Class 3 personnel from \$50,000 to \$75,000. Commissioner Crossan seconded. MOTION CARRIED 4:0

D. Request Approval to Renew Medical Insurance Policy for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year and Add Medicare Supplemental Insurance Option

Commissioner Christopher Lombardo joined the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve as presented per Insurance Committee recommendation renewal proposal from Florida Blue for health insurance coverage for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 and the new proposal from Florida Blue for Medicare supplemental coverage for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 as presented. Commissioner Burke seconded. Staff clarified that the Medicare supplemental coverage approved was an option for retirees only and is a Medicare Advantage plan and 100% retiree paid with no cost to the District. Staff also indicated that it was seeking options for 100% retiree paid Medicare Medigap coverage option. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

With the conclusion of this agenda item, Commissioner Feder turned the meeting over to Chairman Christopher Lombardo.

E. Request Approval to Renew Dental Insurance Policy for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve as presented per staff recommendation the renewal proposal from Guardian for dental coverage using the self-funded platform for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. Commissioner Crossan seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

F. Request Approval to Renew Short-Term Disability, Long-Term Disability and Life Insurance for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year and Add Voluntary Life Insurance Option

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve as presented per staff recommendation renewal proposals for 1) short-term disability insurance with Guardian; 2) long-term disability and life insurance with Standard; and the addition of 100% employee paid option of voluntary life insurance proposal from Standard -all for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. Commissioner Burke seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0 Staff noted that the voluntary life insurance option requires a minimum of 20% of staff to participate.



G. Request Approval of Revision to District Policy

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve as presented per staff recommendation the proposed additional language to District Policy 3.15-Insurance to document annual HSA funding methodology into policy. Commissioner Crossan seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

H. Request Approval of Procurement of Fire Apparatus

Commissioner Calamari moved to approve for discussion staff recommendation to purchase request for Ten-8 Fire and Safety, LLC (Pierce) for the construction and delivery of fire apparatus in the amount up to \$2,213,995. Assistant Chief Kris Thomas gave verbal summary of the agenda item and answered questions from the Board. Discussion ensued regarding required emission systems for these new apparatuses possibly hindering performance. Commissioner Calamari amended his motion to reflect general consensus of the Board to: 1) approve per staff recommendation the purchase request for Ten-8 Fire and Safety, LLC (Pierce) for the construction and delivery of these fire apparatus in the amount up to \$2,213,995; 2) approve Staff to prepare letters to Ten-8 Fire and Safety/Pierce, U.S. Congressman Byron Donalds, U.S. Representative Diaz-Balart and Florida Governor Ron DeSantis regarding the District's concerns with the required emission systems that may hinder performance; 3) letter shall include alert that this order for apparatus was barely passed by the Board due to the emissions system requirement concerns; and 4) it is the District's intent is to revise the order as related to emission systems should the law change for emission standards. Commissioner Feder seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

At 9:58 a.m., Commissioner Calamari motioned to continue the meeting so that the scheduled 10:00 a.m. 2024/2025 Budget Workshop could commence. Commissioner Feder seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

Commissioner Lombardo called this meeting back to order at 10:58 a.m.

I. Request Approval of Interlocal Agreement Between District and Partnering Agencies for Use of the District's Mobile Computer Aided Dispatch Connectivity System

Deputy Director of Network Administration Eric Bocock gave verbal summary of agenda item. Commissioner Calamari moved to approve per staff recommendation the Interlocal Agreement between the District and partnering agencies for use of the District's Mobile Computer Aided Dispatch Connectivity Systems. Commissioner Feder seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

J. Request Approval for Revisions to Interlocal Agreement Between District and Partnering Agencies for Tablet Command Incident Software

Deputy Director Bocock gave verbal summary of agenda item. Commissioner Calamari moved to approve per staff recommendation the revised interlocal agreement between the



District and partnering agencies for Tablet Command incident software. Commissioner Crossan seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

K. Request Board Approval of Resolution 24-006 on Transport Billing Fees and Contract with Third Party Transport Billing Company

Deputy Chief Aguilera gave verbal summary of agenda item. Commissioner Feder moved to approve per staff recommendation the adoption of Resolution 24-006 to establish a schedule of fees related to ambulance transport services and approve entering into a piggyback contract with Digitech. Commissioner Calamari requested Staff prepare a document for public distribution explaining that the fees adopted by the District for ambulance transport services are exactly equivalent to those fees charged by Collier County EMS. Commissioner Calamari seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

L. Request Approval of MOU Between District and University of Central Florida Relating to UCF Restores Program to Provide Evidence-Based Clinical Treatment Services to First Responders Through the Implementation of a Mobile Crisis Response Vehicle

Commissioner Feder moved to approve per staff recommendation: 1) MOU as presented; 2) for the Board Chairman to work with District Attorney Laura Donaldson to finalize the outstanding items of the MOU and subsequently sign the MOU on behalf of the District. Commissioner Calamari seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

11. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

None

12. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Feder moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Burke seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0 Meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.