

**WEST MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

*Minutes of July 21, 2020
Administration Building and Zoom*

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Randy Cooper, David Bishop and Al Robinson at administration building. Larry Jennis via Zoom. George Harris was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence and the oath. Anyone wishing to address the Board should fill out a Comment Card and turn into the Fire Chief.

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve consent agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Bishop; Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Greater Naples Fire Rescue District thanking for providing resources and assistance to the Greater Naples Fire District's community during the recent wildfires.

CARRIED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. *Administration Building:* Chief Rigney stated he had no update.
- B. *August Meeting Date:* Chairman Cooper requested the August meeting to be changed to another day during that week. Commissioner Robinson stated he had conflicts during that week. Chief Rigney stated it could be the following week. All were in favor of changing from August 18th to August 25th.

NEW BUSINESS: None

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Rigney stated that due to COVID that he is looking at postponing the Open House. He also stated that the 1st Budget Hearing will be at the August 25th meeting and possibly will have the GMP for the Administration Building. Commissioner Bishop asked if we could come up with a community outreach opportunity of some kind with the funds that are set aside for the Open House. Chief Rigney stated he would look into it.

OTHER REPORTS: None

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS: Commissioner Robinson stated he had requested something to be put on agenda. Chairman Cooper stated he was aware of it, but Julie was on vacation and the agenda had already been set. Commissioner Robinson had asked if \$2M could be justified for the new building. He stated that \$500 sq. ft. for a building is absurd. He begged the other members to justify the cost and do some soul searching. Commissioner Bishop thanked the Chief's for responding to the recent infant drowning and the hero's we have here.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, August 25th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Administration building and via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Cooper adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.



A handwritten signature in cursive, written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, the words "Secretary Commissioner" are printed.