

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2023**

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order at 5:40 PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

3. Moment of silence for US Firefighter Line-Of-Duty deaths:

Firefighter James Cleary, Jr.
Firefighter Jordan Melton
Lieutenant Jeffrey Norman
Firefighter Evan Brown

Assistant Chief Josh Biscof
Captain Timothy Rodriguez
Contract Pilot Tony Sousa

4. Roll Call: Commissioners Rosenberg, J. Meszoros, C. Saunders-Maignan, G. Pettway, A/Chief Edwards, A/DC Cronin, A/DC Emanuel

Absent: R. Russo, W. Marshall, J. Larcheveque

5. Minutes:

Entertain a motion to dispense with reading of minutes of the previous meeting.

Commissioner Meszoros moved, Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

6. Old Business:

i. None.

7. New Business:

i. None.

8. Executive Session for attendance review of the following individuals:

FF Mark Bigard - In Attendance, Accepted Executive Session

Commissioners S. Rosenberg, J. Meszoros, C. Saunders-Maignan, G. Pettway, A/Chief Edwards, A/DC Emanuel, A/DC Cronin, Atty Walsh, Atty Hunsberger, M. Bigard, D. Costello, K. Comisky, and J. McKoy entered into Executive Session at 5:42 PM.

Commissioner Meszoros motioned to return to Regular Session at 5:56 PM; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the October Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

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FF Sameer Abdulgalil - In Attendance, Declined Executive Session

FF Abdulgalil advised the Board he has a doctor's appointment on August 17th, expects to be given a return-to-work date (RTW).

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the September Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting if his RTW date is before the September meeting; Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

FF Isaias Rodriguez – Not in Attendance

A/DC Cronin advised FF Rodriguez is having his surgery today, therefore could not be in attendance.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the October Board of Fire Commissioner Meeting; Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

FI Richard Minfield: In Attendance, Declined Executive Session

FI Minfield advised he is scheduled for surgery on September 21, 2023.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the November Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting, Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor I's have it.

FF Ronald Reed: In Attendance, Accepted Executive Session

Commissioners S. Rosenberg, J. Meszoros, C. Saunders-Maignan, G. Pettway, A/Chief Edwards, A/DC Emanuel, A/DC Cronin, Atty Walsh, Atty Hunsberger, M. Bigard, D. Costello, K. Comisky, and J. McKoy entered into Executive Session at 6:04 PM and returned to Regular Session at 6:31 PM.

Commissioner Meszoros motioned to return to Regular Session at 5:56 PM; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the October Board of Fire Commissioner Meeting; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

9. Entertain a motion to accept the Report of Sick and Injury

Commissioners Meszoros motioned to accept the Report of Sick and Injury; Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

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10. Policy and Procedure Review:

- Promoted 12 Firefighters to the Rank of Pumper Engineer
- Reading List for LT's Exam and registration sent out; awaiting a test date.
- Gearing up for a summer Recruit Class in September, looking to hire 20.
- Rescue 5 put into service
- Ladder 6 delivery date is September/October
- FEMA Grant Awarded for 350 bailout kits

11. There be nothing further to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn is in order.

Commissioner Pettway moved; Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

Meeting Ended 6:35 PM
Prepared: G. Bottillo