

GOLDEN GATE FIRE CONTROL & RESCUE DISTRICT

EMERGENCY MEETING

JUNE 28, 1989

The emergency meeting of the Golden Gate Fire Commissioners convened at 7:30 P.M.; all board members were present.

Chairman Steffen stated that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the Emergency Services Complex agreement and to enable Commissioner Young to present a report to the Board.

Chief Hatcher explained that at the regular meeting held on June 13th, concerns had been expressed regarding some differences found in the agreement presented to them by Jay Reardon and the "Memorandum of Understanding" that was signed on January 10, 1989.

In order to obtain a clarification on these differences; Mark Strain, Chief Hatcher, and Brenda Wilson, with the County Attorney's office, met with Jay Reardon. Certain changes were made at this meeting and at Chairman Steffen's request, the Chairman and Chief Hatcher met with the District's attorney to go over the contract.

Chairman Steffen stated that the changes made at the meetings with the County and with the District's attorney took care of his concerns and requested that the Board make a motion approving of the expenditure for consulting the District's attorney.

*** A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Chairman Steffen to approve the expenditure for consulting with the District's attorney, regarding the Emergency Services Complex Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.**

Since the other board member's copies of the agreement only reflected the changes made during the meeting with the County, Chairman Steffen requested that Chief Hatcher point out the changes made to the agreement by the District's attorney. The Chief verbally stated these changes.

Chairman Steffen asked Commissioner Griffith if he had any questions or comments to make.

Commissioner Griffith stated that he had a brief statement that he would like to put on the record. "As you are all aware, I have opposed this from way back and just for the record I want to put in that; In my opinion the current fire house is adequate for current needs and at this current location, and any funds available for additional fire house capacity should be allocated to enhance district wide response time, and the county's objective of better facilities for the sheriff and the EMS could be achieved with a building between the fire house and the library without affecting the, without demolishing this building."

Chairman Steffen then asked everyone in the audience individually how they felt about this building. Everyone in the audience stated that they wanted the building.

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Chairman Steffen to accept the contract between the Golden Gate Fire Control & Rescue District and Collier County for the building of an Emergency Complex Center as written. Motion carried with Commissioner Young and Chairman Steffen voting yes. Commissioner Griffith voted no.

Mr. Reardon stated that he would see that this item was put on the County Commissioner's July 18th agenda for their consideration and that a groundbreaking ceremony would be scheduled shortly afterwards.

Chief Hatcher stated that as required on page seven of the contract, the Board needed to designate a representative in connection with the usage of the facility.


- * Chairman Steffen stepped down from the chair to make a motion stating that under section 7 on page 7 of the contract, to designate the Golden Gate Fire Chief as the representative in connection with usage of the facility. Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Young stated that at the June 13th meeting the union advised him that they would contact him the next day to set up a meeting regarding the union's allegations against Chief Hatcher. Since he has never heard from the union, as far as he is concerned these allegations are a closed issue unless more facts are brought forward. It should be noted that the Board passed a motion at the June 13th meeting authorizing Commissioner Young to meet with the

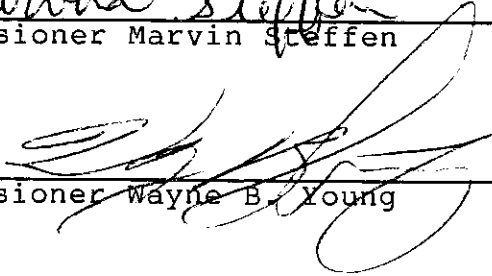
Chief, to meet with the men individually, and if need be to meet as a group.

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Griffith cancelling the meetings between Commissioner Young and the Union (withdrawing Commissioner Young as liaison between the Union and the Fire Board). Motion carried unanimously.
- * A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Chairman Steffen for the Board to reject the letter of allegations against Chief Hatcher and that the Board will take no further action on it because of lack of factual foundations. Motion carried unanimously.
- * Chairman Steffen stepped down from the chair to make a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 P.M. Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of 6/28/89 Emergency Meeting approved on ^{8/8/89}~~7/11/89~~.



Commissioner Marvin Steffen



Commissioner Wayne B. Young

Voted no to the motion

Commissioner Willard P. Griffith