

AGENDA

GOLDEN GATE FIRE CONTROL & RESCUE DISTRICT

4741 Golden Gate Parkway

DATE: March 9, 1993

TIME: 7:30 - 10:00 P.M.
Recess if not Completed

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes, Date(s): 2/9/93

4. Old Business:
 - A. Discussion Regarding a Legal Firm
 - B. Emergency Complex Agreement

5. New Business:
 - A. Approval for Chief to Attend Incident Management System Seminar
 - B. Approval of Disciplinary A.O.P.

6. Reports:
 - A. Operations
 - B. Expenditures
 - C. Association
 - D. Union

7. Adjourn

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COMMISSION MEETING

MARCH 9, 1993

THESE MINUTES ARE JUST HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MEETING. REFER TO THE RECORDED TAPE IF MORE INFORMATION IS NEEDED.

The board meeting of the Golden Gate Fire Commissioners opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation; all board members were in attendance. There were approximately 6 people in the audience.

Approval of Agenda:

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Budd to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes, Date(s): 2/9/93:

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Budd to approve the minutes of the 2/9/93 meeting as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Regarding a Legal Firm:

Chairman Strain stated that he had contacted two legal firms who are interested and asked the other commissioners if they wanted written brochures or presentations by the firms interested. Commissioner Budd stated he would be interested in receiving something in writing in advance of an interview. The consensus of the board was to include the resumes in next month's (April) meeting packet and to hold interviews at the April meeting. Also, to give the district's current attorney the same opportunity. It will take approximately 15 minutes for each interview.

Emergency Complex Agreement:

Chief Peterson advised that he had placed a call to the County Manager, Neil Dorrill, last Friday and received no response. Also, a letter was faxed to Mr. Dorrill today and again have received no response. On February 17th, the Chief and Commissioner Smith met with Neil Dorrill. Mr. Dorrill indicated he was going to look into and obtain information on the five or six issues that were brought up at the meeting. He advised that if he did not get back with us we were to contact him. General conversation at the meeting on the 17th seemed to indicate that it would be fairly simple to settle. From conversation, Mr. Dorrill

seemed to be talking sliver of land (previous meeting with staff had indicated acreage).

Carol Beauvais, in the audience, stated that it was hard to believe that after being in this building for two years an agreement has not been signed and wanted to know if rent was being paid. Chairman Strain advised that the district is only paying utilities on this building. Mrs. Beauvais asked if the back rent payments had been set aside in a special interest bearing account. Chief Peterson advised that yes the rent amount had been set aside in the general fund in an interest bearing account.

Commissioner Smith suggested that maybe the district should just buy the building by using impact fee monies, grant monies, etc. Chairman Strain stated that the mortgage would be close to a million dollars and payments would be a lot more than what the monthly rent payments are to be to the County. He went on to say that a lending institution would be looking for a means to pay it and the district's tax base would not be enough. He went on to say that the district would have to have some guaranteed leases from the County for the S.O. and EMS facilities. Chairman Strain then asked the Chief if some research could be done on federal grant monies. Chief Peterson stated he would put feelers out to see what it would take to get a mortgage through a lending institution.

Commissioner Budd asked about the land in question (land County is asking District to pay for) that the Avatar Advisory Board recommended deeding over to the Golden Gate Fire District. Chairman Strain stated that recommendations made by advisory boards, that have been appointed by the County, go to the County Manager who decides what is pertinent to bring before the Board of County Commissioners. To date, the Avatar Board's recommendation is still on Neil Dorrill's desk.

Approval for Chief to Attend Incident Management System Seminar:

Chief Peterson stated that this seminar is the first of three programs which will deal with the Statewide Disaster Response Team.

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Budd and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Chief Peterson attending this seminar. Motion passed unanimously.

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Approval of Disciplinary A.O.P.:

Chief Peterson advised that "Disciplinary Actions" had been removed from the union contract and made into an A.O.P. when the 1991/92 contract was ratified and that nothing has been changed in it. This is being brought before the board tonight because no formal action had been taken on it.

Chairman Strain asked why a time limit had been put on oral and written reprimands found on page 3 and why didn't the reprimands stay in the file permanently as part of an employee's history. Chief Peterson replied that it had been a negotiated item as part of the union contract when Chief Reeves was here.

*** A motion was made by Commissioner Budd and seconded by Commissioner Smith, pending legal review, that all file retention time limits be removed from oral and written reprimands. Motion passed unanimously.**

Operations Report:

Chief Peterson gave the following oral report:

1. Captain Swab has been elected as President of the Collier County Fire Marshal's Association.
2. The department did standby worth \$2,900.00 at Oktoberfest and have not been paid for it. Oktoberfest has filed for bankruptcy and the district is following through the legal process to see if we can recoup some of our money.
3. Received donation of a burn kit which includes training videos from Francis Sheehan. Approximate dollar value is \$475.00.
4. Steering Committee meets on Tuesday, March 16th at Marco Fire Department on San Marco Road.

Carol Beauvais, in the audience, thanked the department for their competent response when Engineer Brian Beauvais had his accident last month. She went on to say she felt the department did an excellent job and he has recovered remarkably well and is back on duty three weeks earlier than the plastic surgeon estimated. Mrs. Beauvais then apologized to the Chief for jumping him at the scene because there aren't more men on the department.

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Expenditures:

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Budd to approve the expenditures as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Volunteer Association Report:

The Association members are at Woodside Lanes helping with a MDA event and asked Pat Meulenberg, the Secretary, to read the following report:

1. Two active members resigned due to not being able to meet requirements.
2. Will be holding interviews for new members this month and should be able to take on approximately six new members depending on gear availability.

Union Report:

No report.

Adjournment:

- * A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 P.M. Chairman Strain stepped down from the Chair to second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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Minutes of the 3/9/93 Commission Meeting were approved on
4/13/93.



Commissioner Mark Strain



Commissioner Gene Smith



Commissioner Russell Budd