

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**DATE:** June 23, 2015  
**AGENDA ITEM NO.** 28

**Consent Agenda** ☐

**Regular Agenda** ☒

**Public Hearing** ☐

  
**County Administrator's Signature:**


**Subject:**

Approval of Appointments to the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

**Department:**

Safety and Emergency Services

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Bruce J. Moeller, Director 

**Recommended Action:**

I RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOARD), ACTING AS THE PINELLAS COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) AUTHORITY, APPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS TO THE PINELLAS COUNTY EMS ADVISORY COUNCIL:

- APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ROBERT MARKFORD AS PINELLAS ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE
- APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF JOSH STEFANCIC AS PINELLAS ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE

**Summary Explanation/Background:**

Chief Markford is being nominated to fill the primary representative position vacated by Chief Bill Scott. Chief Stefancic is nominated to fill the alternate representative position.

**Fiscal Impact/Cost/Revenue Summary:**

None

**Exhibits/Attachments Attached:**

- EMS Advisory Council Roster
- Letter of Nomination
- Chief Markford's Resume
- Chief Stefancic's Bio

## Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Agency or Representation</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
	Dr. Bruce Moeller		EMS Authority Executive Director	Non-Voting	n/a
	Dr. Angus Jameson		EMS Medical Director	Non-Voting	n/a
1	Mr. Ray Neri		Citizen Representative	Mar 2015	Mar 2017
2	Mr. William Israel		Citizen Representative	Sept 2013	Sept 2015
3	Ms. Joy Lewis		Citizen Representative	Nov 2013	Nov 2015
4	Ms. Beth Rawlins		Citizen Representative	May 2014	May 2016
5	Mr. George McCarthy		Citizen Representative	Apr 2015	Apr 2017
6	Mr. William Holmes		Citizen Representative	May 2014	May 2016
7	Ms. Anne Scofield		Citizen Representative	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
8	Dr. Scott Kuebler		Citizen Representative	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
9	Mayor Chris Arbutine		Mayors' Council - Belleair Bluffs	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
10	Mayor Doug Bevis		Mayors' Council - Oldsmar	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
11	Mayor Travis Palladeno - Chair		Mayors' Council - Madeira Beach	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
12	Mayor Maria Lowe		Mayors' Council - St. Pete Beach	Apr 2015	Aug 2016
13	Chief Robert Weiss - Vice Chair	Chief Joseph T. Connors	City of Clearwater Fire Chief	Mar 2015	Mar 2017
14	Chief Ian Wornack	Capt. Eric Dinan	City of St. Petersburg Fire Chief	Apr 2015	Apr 2017
15	Chief Joe Accetta	Chief Jeffrey Parks	Pinellas County Fire Chiefs' Association	Nov 2013	Nov 2015
16	<b>Chief Robert Markford</b>	<b>Chief Josh Stefancic</b>	Pinellas Advanced Life Support Providers Association	<b>Jun 2015</b>	<b>Jun 2017</b>
17	Mr. Mark Postma	Mr. John Peterson	Sunstar Paramedics	Mar 2015	Mar 2017
18	Assistant Chief Deputy Sean Jowell	Capt. Glenn Luben	Pinellas County Sheriff	Mar 2014	Mar 2016
19	Dr. Phil Nicotera		St Petersburg College President	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
20	Ms. Gayle Guidash	Ms. Amber Boulding	Pinellas County Health Department	Aug 2014	Aug 2016
21	Ms. Kelly Cullen	Ms. Susan Byrd	Emergency Nurses' Association West Coast Florida Chapter	Sept 2013	Sept 2015
22	Dr. David Weiland Jr.	Ms. Anissa Raiford	Pinellas County Medical Association	Mar 2014	Mar 2016
23	Dr. Kenneth Webster		Pinellas County Osteopathic Medical Society	Mar 2014	Mar 2016
24	Ms. Kathleen Litton	Mr. David Root	Independent Fire District Elected Official	Mar 2015	Mar 2017

**Note: Names in bold are pending EMS Authority approval.**

### Executive Committee

Mayor Travis Palladeno - Chair  
 Ch. Robert Weiss - Vice Chair  
 Vacant - Secretary  
 Ch. Joe Accetta  
 Ms. Beth Rawlins

### EMS Management Committee

Mr. Craig Hare  
 Dr. Angus Jameson  
 Dr. Donna Dooley  
 Ch. Robert Weiss - Chair  
 Ch. Joe Accetta  
 Ch. Bill Scott  
 Dr. Phil Nicotera  
 Ms. Kelly Cullen  
 Mr. Mark Postma  
 Ms. Ruthie Doles  
 Mr. Richard Pauley  
 Mr. Robert Stanley

### Support Staff

Mr. Craig Hare - Director, EMS & Fire Administration  
 Mr. Carl Brody - Senior Assistant County Attorney  
 Mr. Greg Woodrum - EMS Contract Coordinator

## **PALS**

### **Pinellas Advanced Life Support Providers Association**

May 14, 2015

Mr. Craig Hare  
Director of EMS & Fire Administration  
Pinellas County EMS & Fire Administration

We are requesting a change in representation on the EMS Advisory Council for the PALS Group. Currently our representatives are as follows:

Primary: Chief Bill Scott, Largo Fire Rescue  
Alternate: Chief Bob Markford, Palm Harbor Fire Rescue

The new representatives will be as follows:

Primary: Chief Bob Markford, Palm Harbor Fire Rescue  
Alternate: Chief Josh Stefancic, Largo Fire Rescue

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 582-2079 or email [Vglenn@sunstarems.com](mailto:Vglenn@sunstarems.com).

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vicki Glenn", written in a cursive style.

Vicki Glenn, Chairperson, PALS Group

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# Robert Markford

## Objective

Appointment as PALS Representative on Pinellas County EMS Advisory Council

## Experience

June 1991-Present      Palm Harbor Fire Rescue      Palm Harbor, FL

### **Chief of Support Services—Promotion, December 10, 2013**

- Oversees Training, Public Education, Fire Prevention, and EMS
- Designated Emergency Manager for PHFR
- Oversee Emergency Medical Operations of the department
- Oversee Safety and Health of all members of the department
- Liaison between County Medical Director and the department
- Member of Pinellas Advanced Life Support (PALS) providers group
- Member of PHFR Health Insurance Committee
- Assist Deputy Chief of Operations as needed
- Publish the PHFR Newsletter each month
- Assist with maintaining the department's website

August 2009-April 2015      St. Petersburg College      Pinellas Park, FL

### **Continuing Medical Education Instructor**

- Resigned due to lack of time for teaching since promotion to Dep. Chief
- Teach Continuing Medical Education to Pinellas County EMT's & Paramedics
- Teach Advanced Cardiac Life Support courses
- Teach International Trauma Life Support courses

October 1988-June 1991      Pinellas County 911 Center      Clearwater, FL

### **Emergency Communication Operator**

- Part-time from 10/88-1/90, then full-time through 6/91
- Answered 911 calls and performed radio operations for fire and EMS calls
- Received numerous commendations for skills performed

August 1979-Jan. 1990      Clearwater Fire Department      Clearwater, FL

### **Firefighter/Paramedic**

- Performed duties of Firefighter/Paramedic
- Performed duties of Acting Lieutenant as needed
- Assigned as Lead-medic on a rescue in 1985

Feb. 1974-August 1979      Spring Hill Fire Department      Spring Hill, FL

### **Firefighter/EMT**

- Was a Junior Firefighter then a Volunteer from 2/74 until 10/77
- Received State Certification as an EMT Jan. 1977
- Hired full time as a Firefighter/EMT October 1, 1977

**Education**

- Graduated from Hernando High School, Brooksville, FL, 1976
- Received Scholastic Achievement Scholarship, PHCC, 1976
- Completed St. Petersburg Jr. College Paramedic Certificate Program May 1980
- Graduated, with Honors, St. Petersburg Jr. College May 5, 2000 and received A.S. Degree in Fire Science Administration
- Graduated, with Honors, St. Petersburg College July 2009 and Bachelors Degree in Public Administration—Fire Science
- Received Certified District Manager Designation from Florida State University and Florida Association of Special Districts—June 10, 2010
- Received Certification as an Executive Fire Officer from the National Fire Academy—January 2015

**Certifications**

- State of Florida EMT, 1977
- State of Florida Firefighter, 1978
- State of Florida Paramedic, 1980
- State of Florida Fire Company Supervision, 1982
- State of Florida Basic Fire Instructor Certificate, 2000
- State of Florida Fire Officer One Certificate, 2000
- State of Florida Fire Officer One Instructor Certificate, 2000
- State of Florida Pump Operator Certificate, 2000
- State of Florida Fire Investigator I, 2001
- State of Florida Fire Instructor I, 2002
- State of Florida Fire Inspector I, 2002
- State of Florida Fire Instructor III, 2010
- Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) certification
- Current International Trauma Life Support certification
- Current ACLS Instructor
- Current CPR Instructor
- Current International Trauma Life Support Instructor

**Achievements**

- 1983 Firefighter of the Year from the Florida Firefighter's Burn Foundation
- 1984 Paramedic of the Year from the City of Clearwater
- July 1990, 911 Operator of the Month from Pinellas County 911 Center
- 2003 Employee of The Year, Palm Harbor Fire Rescue
- Numerous commendations over the past 36 years for various incidents
- Have been an active member of Pinellas County EMS since its inception in 1981

**Personal Information**

- Born December 1, 1958 in Philadelphia, PA
- Moved to Spring Hill, Florida in July 1971
- Currently reside in St. Petersburg, FL
- Married to Pamela Markford, 10/1994
- Children: One 30-year-old daughter and one 27-year-old step-son
- Member at Northside Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, FL
- Non-Smoker and Non-Drinker
- Hobbies: Vacation and Time with Family



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Administration (727) 587-6714  
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**Josh M. Stefancic, MS, EFO**  
Division Chief of EMS & Profession Standards  
Largo Fire Rescue, Florida

Josh M. Stefancic is the Division Chief of EMS & Professional Standards for Largo Fire Rescue and has been with the department since 2010. He began his fire service career as a firefighter/paramedic in Chicago's northern suburbs in 2001, and relocated to Pinellas County in 2007. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Oklahoma State University (OSU) in Fire Protection and Safety Engineering Technology. He also received his master's degree from OSU in Fire and Emergency Management Administration and is a current graduate of the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program. Josh is a member of the International Fire Chief's Association (IFCA), the Florida Fire Chief's Association (FFCA), as well as an executive board member of the International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA).