

St. Lucie County Firefighters and Port St Lucie Police Officers to be Recognized

St. Lucie County – Fire Chief Nate Spera will present certificates of Public Safety Excellence to FF/PM Fred Griffin, FF/PM Matt Ernst, FF/PM Jenny Grima, Lt Rob Smith and Lt Michael Walker. He will also recognize Sgt Reece Kilner, Ofc James DeAcetis, and Ofc Gregory Gibbons from the Port St. Lucie Police Department.

The presentation will be Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 3:00 pm, at the beginning of the Fire Board meeting held at the St. Lucie County Fire District Administration offices, 5160 NW Milner Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL.

Early Sunday morning on June 2, 2019, units were dispatched to a full-arrest, where a female in her early 50s was in cardiac arrest. Upon arrival, paramedics found officers from PSLPD performing CPR. Immediately, advanced cardiac life support protocol was initiated, which included more than 15 minutes of CPR, multiple shocks and medications. Finally, just prior to arrival at the ER, a pulse was obtained.

If not for the quick application of training and experience by the officers and paramedics, the outcome could have been very different. Through their relentless efforts, they were able to revive the patient.

Chief Spera will honor these local heroes and they will be reunited with the patient they saved.