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JEFF LEE AND MARTI NEWPORT APPOINTED TO ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEFS NEWPORT IS FIRST FEMALE

St. Lucie County, FL – Fire Chief Nate Spera announced the appointments of Deputy Chief Jeff Lee and Deputy Chief Marti Newport to Assistant Fire Chiefs at today's fire board meeting.

Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Lee has been with the fire district since 1997 and has most recently worked as the interim Clerk-Treasurer. A new clerk treasurer has been appointed, but Chief Lee will continue to oversee the finance department. In addition, Chief Lee will supervise; operations, ambulance billing, information technology and the training division.

Assistant Fire Chief Marti Newport has been employed by the fire district since 1994 and has been part of the administrative staff since 2015. Her duties include; the health & safety division, community risk reduction, international accreditation, fleet maintenance, compliance, and public information. Chief Newport is the first female Assistant Fire Chief in St. Lucie County.

"These promotions advance our organization with two individuals of great capability, integrity, and fortitude. I am confident that these are the right people to move our organization forward now and into the future. This is yet another historic day for the St Lucie County Fire District as we celebrate the promotion of our first female Assistant Fire Chief. Chief Newport has consistently pursued excellence and development over her entire career, and I am honored to have had the opportunity to recognize and reward her efforts." - Fire Chief Nate Spera

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