



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, December 17, 2020  
**Meeting Time:** 4:00 PM  
**Location:** 21021 E. Homestead Drive, Red Rock, AZ 85145

**RECORDING ON**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Castaneda called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**3. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM**

<b>Board Members in Attendance</b>	<b>Staff Members in Attendance</b>	<b>Others in Attendance</b>
Chairman Castaneda	Chief Delfs	Counsel Wencker, by phone
Vice-Chairman Bauer	Assistant Chief Klein	
Clerk Neilson	Lorrie Palmquist, by phone	
Director Haffner		

**Absent/Excused**

Director Armendarez

**4. RECOGNITION OF PERSONNEL** NONE

**5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC** NONE

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CURRENT EVENTS & CORRESPONDENCE** NONE

**7. THE SWEARING-IN OF RE-ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

The Honorable Vince Roberts, Pima County Justice of the Peace, Precinct 10, will swear in our re-elected Board members. Chief Delfs introduced Honorable Vince Roberts. Justice Roberts swore in Chairman Castaneda and Vice-Chairman Bauer.

**8. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ELECT OFFICERS OF THE AVRA VALLEY FIRE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Vice-Chair Bauer motioned to nominate Luis Castaneda for Chairman of the Board. Director Haffner seconded. Mr. Castaneda accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations for Chairman of the Board. ***Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*** Mr. Castaneda will remain as Chairman of the Board.

Clerk Neilson nominated Sara Bauer for Vice-Chairman of the Board. Director Haffner seconded. Ms. Bauer accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Board. ***Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*** Ms. Bauer will remain as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Vice-Chairman Bauer nominated Eric Neilson for Clerk of the Board. Director Haffner seconded. Mr. Neilson accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations for Clerk of the Board. ***Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*** Mr. Neilson will remain as Clerk of the Board.



**9. REGARDING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR CONSENT:**

Minutes from the regular meeting November 19, 2020  
 Vice-Chairman Bauer motioned to approve the consent agenda. Director Haffner seconded.  
*Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

**10. CHIEF’S REPORT**

The Fire Chief may update the Board on items of interest relating to but not limited to the following: fire suppression, EMS and wildland services, response times, vehicles, facilities, labor relations, personnel, finance, grants, communications and/or training. Alternatively, the Fire Chief may provide written comments in the Board member’s packets or by email. The Board members may ask clarifying questions and they may direct the Chief to place items on future agendas for further discussion or action.

The Chief highlighted the following items from his report:

- For the 15 newly hired firefighters beginning on January 4, turnouts will be purchased once they are actually on board.
- We have 2 individuals out on medical leave right now.
- We were notified today that the PSPRS rates will go up 1.1% for Tier 2 and 2.5% for Tier 3
- Just a reminder that 33% of the voter-approved excise tax for marijuana sales has been designated for fire districts.

**11. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO SIGN THE CERTIFICATE OF REVIEW**

Chairman Castaneda motioned to approve the November 2020 financial reports and authorized the Chairman and Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*. Vice-Chairman Bauer seconded.  
*Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

**12. REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF**

**13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board may not discuss or take any action on topics presented for future agendas.

**14. DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The date of the next Board meeting is January 28, 2021

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Vice-Chairman Bauer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Clerk Neilson seconded.  
*Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.* Meeting adjourned at 4:23 PM.

**RECORDING OFF**

*Luis Castaneda*

**1-28-21**

**SIGNED**

**DATE**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**LUIS CASTANEDA, JR. SARA BAUER THOMAS ARMENDAREZ ERIC NEILSON JAMES HAFFNER**

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