



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024

Meeting Time: 4:30 PM

Location: 21021 E. Homestead Drive, Red Rock, AZ 85145

RECORDING ON

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Castaneda called the meeting to order at 4:31 PM.

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

3. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM

Board Members in Attendance

Chairman Castaneda

Clerk Bren

Director Goss

Vice-Chairman Armendarez, by phone

Staff in Attendance

Chief Delfs

Assistant Chief Klein

Lorrie Palmquist

Others in Attendance

Counsel Wencker

Absent/Excused

Director Neilson

4. RECOGNITION OF PERSONNEL NONE

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC NONE

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CURRENT EVENTS & CORRESPONDENCE

The Winter 2025 AFDA Conference will be held January 15-17, 2025 in Laughlin, NV.

7. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

Clerk Bren motioned to adopt the Minutes from the regular meeting held September 26, 2024. Director Goss seconded. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

8. 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:

Chief Delfs briefly discussed the new cancer reduction practices which the District is actively working on. The District has already purchased an in-house stackable washer/dryer unit for Station 194 which will more quickly address the decontamination of turnouts. The total cost of plumbing and electric work required will result in this being a costly project. Brief discussion ensued.



9. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 2024 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO SIGN THE CERTIFICATE OF REVIEW

Director Goss motioned to approve the September 2024 financial reports and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the Certificate of Review. Clerk Bren seconded. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

10. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE AMBULANCE UTILIZING THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION GRANT FUNDS (\$228,393) AND BOND FUNDS: MEDIX SPECIALTY VEHICLE TYPE 1 MSV 157" ON 2022 DODGE 4500 4X4 DIESEL POWERED CHASSIS, TWO DOOR STANDARD CAB. CURRENT TOTAL PRICE \$256,753.38.

Chief addressed the Board explaining that the ambulance will be purchased mainly through the Tohono O'Odham grant, and any remaining purchase price will be paid out of bond funds. The Chief explained that this is a very nice unit, and is currently being shown as a demo unit. The current build time for an ambulance is 22 months. The District has to utilize the Tohono O'Odham grant within 12 months. This ambulance can be delivered in February. Brief discussion ensued. Clerk Bren motioned to approve the purchase of the ambulance as outlined herein. Director Goss seconded. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

11. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO PURCHASE EXHAUST FILTER SYSTEMS FOR THE VEHICLES

Chief Delfs addressed the Board explaining that these exhaust filtering systems can be placed directly on the apparatus and will remove contaminated particles from the air. Although the total cost of the project will be approximately \$181,000, the District will save money in the long run because living quarters will not have to be pressurized and turnouts will not have to be removed from the apparatus bays. The District is expecting ARPA funds from the State, and we are planning to utilize those funds for this project. Brief discussion ensued. Clerk Bren motioned to purchase exhaust filter systems for the vehicles. Director Goss seconded. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

12. REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

Director Bren shared that representative from the Red Rock Elementary School would like to come to the next Board meeting to share the results of a filtration system that their students have developed. They have been nationally recognized and they are planning to partner with ASU for research funding.

Chief Tharp shared that the Union recently sponsored a charity golf tournament which was well attended and was a great success.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

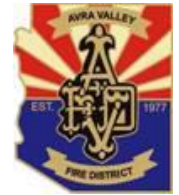
The Board may not discuss or take any action on topics presented for future agendas.

The Red Rock Elementary School presentation was noted above.

Chairman Castaneda shared that Justice Roberts may attend the next Board meeting to administer the Oaths of Office.



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14. DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

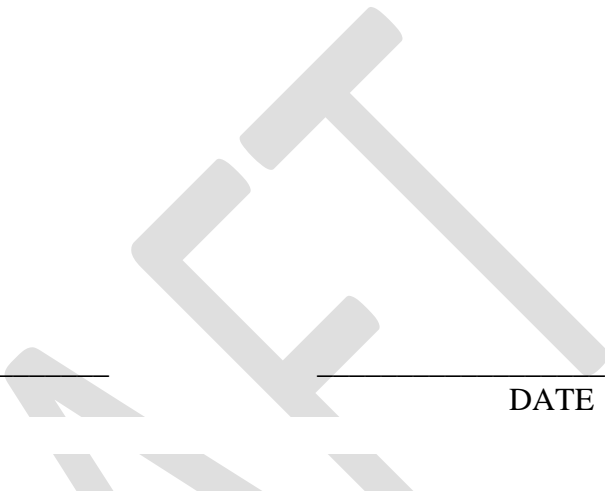
The date of the next Board meeting will be November 21, 2024

15. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk Bren motioned to adjourn the meeting. Director Goss seconded.

Motion carried unanimously, 4:0. Meeting adjourned at 4:53 PM.

RECORDING OFF



 SIGNED DATE

BOARD MEMBERS

LUIS CASTANEDA, JR. THOMAS ARMENDAREZ CODY BREN ERIC NEILSON MICHELLE STARK-GOSS

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