

MINUTES

AVRA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Meeting Date: Monday, July 31, 2017
Meeting Time: 2:00 PM
Location: 21021 E. Homestead Drive, Red Rock, AZ 85145

Recording On.

- 1) **Call To Order** Chairman Castaneda called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 3) **Roll Call** Secretary Palmquist called roll. In attendance:
Chairman Castaneda, Jr. Chief Delfs
Clerk Neilson Lorrie Palmquist, Finance/Admin
Director Armendarez (present by phone) Counsel Wencker (present by phone)
Absent and Excused:
Assistant Chief Klein, Vice-Chairman Bauer, Director Horch
Several firefighters were in attendance.
- 4) **Recognition of Personnel** NONE
- 5) **Call To The Public** NONE
- 6) **Announcements, Current Events & Correspondence**
Included in the board packet was a copy of a thank you note from a resident.
- 7) **Review, Discussion and possible Action** regarding the following items for consent:
 - Minutes from the public hearing and regular meeting held June 28, 2017 at 10:00 AM
 - Minutes from the public hearing and regular meeting held June 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Clerk Neilson motioned to approve the consent agenda. Chairman Castaneda seconded.
Motion carried unanimously, 3:0.

- 8) **Chief's Report**
The Chief highlighted one item from his report regarding the improved ISO rating. He expressed thanks to all personnel who were involved with the ISO audit. Our new rate has been upgraded to a 3/10 because we are able to provide adequate water supply through water tender operations anywhere in the District. Any resident within 5 miles of one of our stations will receive the new rating. Chairman Castaneda also expressed thanks to everyone involved with achieving this upgraded rating.
- 9) **Review, Discussion and possible Action** regarding an update from the Fire Chief on the damaged mechanic's service vehicle. The Board will be briefed on any information that has been received from the insurance company and possibly give the Fire Chief direction regarding the repair or replacement of the vehicle.

Chief Delfs stated that our insurance company has not yet responded with any estimate related to the damaged vehicle. We are assuming that the vehicle will be totaled. The District mechanic is currently using his personal vehicle or an older command truck if it is available. He did find a comparable vehicle in Mesa for \$19,900 with 80,000 miles. The Chief stated that he will update the Board when more information is available.

10) Review, Discussion and possible Action to approve the June 2017 Financial Reports and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*.

Chairman Castaneda motioned to approve the June 2017 financial reports and authorize the Chairman and the Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*. Director Armendarez seconded.
Motion carried unanimously, 3:0.

11) Review, Discussion and possible Action regarding whether the Avra Valley Fire District will enter into an agreement with the Arizona Public Service Company for fire protection services.

Counsel Wencker drafted an agreement between APS and Avra Valley Fire District. This agreement comes after 3 years of negotiations with APS. Avra Valley Fire is to provide fire protection services for \$15,633 annually in perpetuity as described in the contract. Counsel Wencker commented that the agreement can be terminated upon 30 days notice. The contract does allow the District to recover funds for transports. Clerk Neilson motioned to enter into the agreement with Arizona Public Service company for fire protection services. Director Armendarez seconded.
Motion carried unanimously, 3:0.

12) Reports of Board Members and Staff

Chairman Castaneda shared that he recently attended the AFDA Conference in Glendale, commenting that it provided several informative training sessions.

13) Future Agenda Items None given.

14) Date of Next Board Meeting: August 23 , 2017

15) Adjournment

Chairman Castaneda motioned to adjourn the meeting. Director Armendarez seconded.
Motion carried unanimously, 3:0. Meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM.
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DATE

Board Members

Luis Castaneda, Jr. Sara Bauer Eric Neilson Brian Horch Thomas Armendarez

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