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MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Date: Thursday, September 26, 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 AttendanceStaff in AttendanceOthers in AttendanceChairman CastanedaChief DelfsCounsel Wencker

Clerk Bren Assistant Chief Klein Director Neilson Lorrie Palmquist

Director Goss

Absent/Excused

Vice-Chairman Armendarez

4. RECOGNITION OF PERSONNEL NONE

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC NONE

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CURRENT EVENTS & CORRESPONDENCE NONE

7. <u>REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u> REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 22, 2024

Clerk Bren motioned to adopt the Minutes from the regular meeting held August 22, 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:

Upon filing the required paperwork for the new well at Station 191, the District was notified that we also have to file a *Statement of Claim for Domestic Water Use* for Stations 192 and 193 as well. Whereas we own the wells, we do not own the water. The County is trying to verify that all users of the water have a valid claim to the water.

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We received word that we are receiving a grant from the Tohono O'odham Nation for a new ambulance. The purchasing process has begun. There is a possibility that we may be able to obtain a demo ambulance built on a 2023 chassis at a small discount.

Thank you to Mr. Castaneda who made a beautiful wreath in honor of the lives lost on September 11, 2001. Mr. Castaneda and the B-Shift crews at Station 191 raised the flag to half-staff and laid the wreath.

9. <u>REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u> TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 2024 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO SIGN THE CERTIFICATE OF REVIEW

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

10. REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF NONE

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

The following items were mentioned as upcoming topics:

Cancer-proofing the stations

Filtration/exhaust system for apparatus

12. DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

The date of the next Board meeting will be October 24, 2024 at 4:30 PM.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Director Goss motioned to adjourn the meeting. Clerk Bren seconded. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0*. Meeting adjourned at 4:48 PM. **RECORDING OFF**

Cody Bren	10-24-24
SIGNED	DATE

BOARD MEMBERS

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