

MINUTES

AVRA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2016
Meeting Time: 10:00 AM
Location: 21021 E. Homestead Drive, Red Rock, AZ 85145

RECORDING ON.

- 1) **Call To Order** Chairman Castaneda called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM.
- 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
Vice-Chairman Bauer	Assistant Chief Klein
Clerk Neilson	Lorrie Palmquist, Finance/Admin
Director Horch (present by phone)	Counsel Wencker (present by phone)
Director Armendarez	

Also in attendance were several firefighters and their family members, as well as District residents. A total of 15 people were in attendance.

- 4) **Recognition of Personnel:**
 - Badge pinning for new FF/Paramedic, Richard Roscoe**
 - 15 year pin: Captain Billy Eader (17yrs)**
 - 5 year pins: Captain Jeremy Beatty**
 - Firefighter Ralph Hiraes**
 - Firefighter Brad Labanow**
 - Firefighter, Ryan Kreitner**
- 5) **Review, Discussion and possible Action regarding results of the November 2016 general election and to elect Officers of the Board of Directors**

Chief Delfs addressed the Board, stating that the two Board positions which were up for election this year ran unopposed. Counsel Wencker clarified that the two re-elected members should sign a new *Oath of Office*. Also, Prop 445 did not pass by a very slim margin.

Director Horch nominated Mr. Castaneda to continue as Chairman of the Board. Clerk Neilson seconded. Mr. Castaneda accepted the nomination. The Chairman called for other nominations. Receiving none, ***the vote was unanimous, 5:0.***

Clerk Neilson nominated Ms. Bauer to continue as Vice-Chairman. Director Armendarez seconded. The Chairman called for other nominations. Receiving none, ***the vote was unanimous, 5:0.***

Director Horch nominated Mr. Neilson to continue as Clerk of the Board. Director Armendarez seconded. The Chairman called for other nominations. Receiving none, ***the vote was unanimous, 5:0.***

6) Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting held October 26, 2016

Clerk Neilson motioned to approve the Minutes from the regular Board meeting held October 26, 2016. Vice-Chairman Bauer seconded. *The motion carried unanimously, 5:0.*

7) Call To The Public NONE

8) Announcements, Current Events & Correspondence

Chief Delfs announced the following upcoming events:

- Annual Awards & Holiday Celebration: December 9 at ST 191 at 6:00 PM
- Board Training: December 6, 2016 at the NWFD Training Center
- AFDA Conference January 12-14, 2017, Laughlin, NV

9) Chief's Report

The Chief highlighted the following items from his report:

- Engine 217 is down with engine problems. Repairs will be discussed under Agenda item 12.
- Reserve Ambulance 307 did pass the annual inspection with a few minor repairs required. However, both ambulances 307 and 308 are not expected to pass another annual inspection and will need to be replaced. Assistant Chief Klein has written a grant to seek funding.
- Our base hospital is no longer replacing expired medications. Captain Tharp and Paramedic Jelenc are researching cost containment measures. Also, one of our vendors, Life-Assist, has indicated that they will honor their existing co-op purchase agreement with TFD.
- Avra Valley will be using the burn trailer in December and January. Board members are welcome to attend the training if they pass FIT testing.

10) Review, Discussion and possible Action to approve the October 2016 Financial Reports and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*.

Vice-Chairman Bauer motioned to approve the October 2016 Financial Reports and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*. Clerk Neilson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.

11) Review, Discussion and possible Action regarding the repair of A/C units at Station 194.

Chief Delfs addressed the Board explaining that three of the air conditioning units at Station 194 have stopped working. The District has requested quotes for repair of the units from several vendors. Only one vendor has responded. This vendor has done work for us at other stations. Discussion ensued regarding repair vs replacement. After discussion, Director Horch motioned to give Chief Delfs authority to seek more bids and decide which vendor to choose for repairing the A/C units. Chairman Castaneda seconded and called for a roll call vote.

Chairman Castaneda: ay; Vice-Chairman Bauer: abstain; Clerk Neilson: ay; Director Horch: ay; and Director Armendarez: ay. *Motion carried with one abstention.*

12) Review, Discussion and possible Action regarding repair of Engine 217.

Chief Delfs addressed the Board explaining that Engine 217 was repaired several years ago after the suffering a broken crankshaft after a water rescue. The engine now has a broken crankshaft, again, after only 20,000 miles. Our District mechanic has sought bids on new engines from 3 vendors. The one quote we have received for a new engine is \$23,000 with only a 90-day limited warranty and an estimated 30 days to perform the repairs. Discussion ensued regarding repair vs replacement of the engine. After discussion, Clerk Neilson motioned to give Chief Delfs and the District mechanic authority to consider all options and get the apparatus back online with a working engine as soon as possible. Director Armendarez made a friendly amendment to the motion to request that the Board be informed of the other bids. ***Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.***

13) Reports of Board Members and Staff

- Chief Delfs commented that PSPRS will be making refunds to employees with more information coming later.
- Chief Klein attended a luncheon for Gila River grant recipients.
- Chairman Castaneda expressed thanks to the firefighters for helping raise funds for the Community Food Bank.

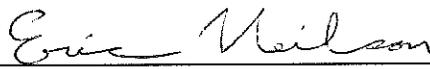
14) Future Agenda Items

15) Date of Next Board Meeting: December 28, 2016

16) Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Bauer motioned to adjourn. Clerk Neilson seconded.
Motion carried unanimously, 5:0. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Recording Off.



SIGNED

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DATE

Board Members

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

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