FRY FIRE DISTRICT MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING August 19, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Brofer called the Regular Meeting of the Fry Fire District Board to order at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members in Attendance: Duane Brofer, Board Chairman

Art Nash. Board Clerk

James Barnett, Board Member

Board Members Absent: Bess Banister, Board Member

Gilbert Gil, Board Member

Others in Attendance: William Miller, Fire Chief

Maria Gordon, Administrative Manager

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Mr. Nash led the pledge of allegiance and Mr. Brofer gave the invocation.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Brofer opened the call to the public at 7:02 p.m.

There was no one to appear before the board at this time.

Call to the public closed at 7:02 p.m.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT/SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Chief Miller was pleased to announce that the Governor's Office of Highway Safety has awarded us a grant for \$6,224.00 for a new high-strength rescue-cutting tool.

We sent a truck to the California fires for two weeks from July 31 to August 15. We will be billing Arizona State Land \$46,103.88 for our services.

The integration model seems to be working out well thus far. We have made some minor changes to include stand-alone Battalion Chiefs, when possible with minimum manning levels. This has been on our strategic planning guide for some time and we were looking at implementation between 2014-2017. If this plan works out Chief Miller will be approaching the board to seek approval for a Battalion Chief vehicle.

We are also looking into alternative health plans. We met with our insurance representative a couple of weeks ago and we can anticipate a significant cost increase next year in upwards of 20% or higher.

There are new run summary reports in the board boxes. We had 739 responses for the month of July. These calls include both the City of Sierra Vista and Fry Fire District.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Review, discussion and possible action on the monthly financial report

Maria presented the Board with account balances as of July 31, 2013, along with a copy of the report from the Cochise County Treasurer's Office and the bank reconciliation from the District's Cyma Accounting Software. In all future meetings, the same information will be presented to the board. Maria also gave each board member a copy of the spreadsheet with the 2013-14 tax levy rate, \$2.76, which increased \$.01 from last year's \$2.75.

Mr. Nash made a motion that the board accept the monthly financial report and agree to the balances as presented. Mr. Barnett seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3-0 MOTION CARRIED

B. Review and discussion for the warrants issued for the month of July 2013

Mr. Barnett asked why there is such a significant difference between the payroll checks cut within the month. Maria explained that the District only pays overtime on every other paycheck; therefore, there will always be a base payroll and one with the increase due to overtime.

There were no further questions regarding the month's warrants.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular board minutes of July 17, 2013

Mr. Barnett stated that the meeting date was changed to August 1, rather than August 14, 2013, which is the date listed in the minutes. Change made at this

time. Mr. Nash made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of July 17, 2013. Mr. Barnett seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3-0

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS AGENDA

There is nothing on the business agenda at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of pending or contemplated litigation with the Copper Queen Hospital regarding patient transports. Fire Board may vote to go into executive session.

Chief Miller informed the board that there is nothing new to report at this time and he will keep the board apprised should any action being taken on the part of Copper Queen prior to our next meeting, as they have until the end of August to present us with a letter of intent to sue.

ACTION ITEM

There are no action items at this time.

REQUESTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments/requests from board members for future agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barnett made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:36 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Nash.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

DATED THIS 21st DAY OF AUGUST 2013.

Art Nash Board Clerk Fry Fire District Board