

Stamback Septic is working on our septic system and installing new risers and clean out lids. During this process, they have found that our leaching field is full of liquid, which is not a good sign, but the contractor has cleaned it out and we are playing the waiting game for now.

Run summary reports were placed in each board members box. We had 670 responses for the month of March, which is down from previous years.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Review, discussion and possible action on the monthly financial reports for February and March 2014

Maria presented the Board with account balances as of February 2014, 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. The District has \$247,594.99 in available operating funds as of February 28. This report was tabled at last month's meeting, as Reveal Server used by the County Treasurer's Office was inoperable for last month's meeting.

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: 4-0
MOTION CARRIED

Maria presented the Board with account balances as of March 2014, 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. The District has \$99,107.10 in available operating funds as of March 31. Maria informed the board that we should see an influx of tax revenue beginning in April, with the majority coming in May. Currently with 25% of the fiscal year remaining, we are short 10% of our budgeted EMS (ambulance) revenue, 13% of our FDAT (Fire District Assistance Tax) and 11.56% in property taxes. Our ambulance revenue is short due to the decrease in transports and we are hopeful that we will collect at least 90% of our budgeted taxes.

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

VOTE: 4-0
MOTION CARRIED

B. Review and discussion for the warrants issued for the month of March 2014

Mr. Nash asked whom the vendor Sidney, Lex Felker is. Maria told the board that it is the firm Donna Aversa, our attorney, works for. Mr. Brofer asked what the check to AZ Center for Fire Service Excellence was for. Maria explained that it was for Leadership classes for Firefighter Mark Tenney. Ms. Banister asked what we purchase from Lawley Automotive Center. Chief Miller explained that we have to buy parts for the units directly from Lawley's as we must buy OEM parts for the warranties to stay in effect.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular board minutes of March 19, 2014.

Mr. Barnett made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of March 19, 2014 as written. Ms. Banister seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS AGENDA

A. Arizona Fire District Association Report

Chief Miller reported on the following:

As of Tuesday there are 62 remaining active bills awaiting disposition in the House and Senate.

1. HB 2444: FIREFIGHTER SPECIAL PLATES was reported last month as being dead and is now in its third read and is expected to pass.
2. SB 1348: SPECIAL DISTRICTS; AUDITS; BUDGETS; BOARDS, SB 1387: FIRE DISTRICTS; BOARD SIZE; FORMATION and SB1459: FIRE DISTRICTS; DIRECTORS; REQUIREMENTS; MODIFICATIONS all have passed the third read in the Senate and has been moved to the house. Expected to pass.
3. HB 2152: FIRE DISTRICT BOUNDARY CHANGE changes to the boundaries of a fire district, community park maintenance district or sanitary district, the information that must be included in the boundary change impact statement is expanded to include a description of the planning areas and boundaries of each potentially affected municipality and whether any property proposed to be added to the district is within the planning areas of any municipality. Third read and passed. AFDA IS OPPOSED. This bill is in a committee being held for now.

The summer conference will be held on June 26-28 at Loews Ventana Canyon Resort in Tucson, so please mark your calendars and let us know if you'd like to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Executive session. Discussion of pending or contemplated litigation with the Copper Queen Hospital regarding patient transports. No action will be taken during the executive session.

Chief Miller told the board that there is no reason to adjourn to executive session as nothing has taken place. We do expect a lawsuit, but no dates have been set as of now.

ACTION ITEM

- A. Review, discuss and possible action to publish the proposed 2014-15 budget for a public notice hearing on June 18, 2014

Chief Miller explained to the board that it is time to publish our proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year. We are now able to publish it our district website, rather than in a local publication, much like cities and towns are able to do. Maria explained that the general fund amount reflects what our budget would be at the \$3.25 maximum cap. It is done this way because, as by law, we can always decrease the budget amount from the posting; however, we may not go above that amount so we publish it high so the board has the ability to set the rate anywhere they would like, up to the maximum cap.

Mr. Barnett made a motion for the board to approve the proposed budget as presented and allow staff to post on the district website. Ms. Banister seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0

MOTION CARRIED

REQUESTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Barnett asked that Chief Miller and Maria give the board figures for the levy rate at different amounts, i.e. \$2.80, \$2.85, etc. This will be given to the board at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barnett made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:53 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Nash.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

DATED THIS 20th DAY OF APRIL 2014.



Art Nash

Board Clerk

Fry Fire District Board