# FRY FIRE DISTRICT MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING November 1, 2017

#### CALL TO ORDER

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

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Board Members in Attendance:

Robert McMurtrie, Chairman

James Barnett, Board Clerk Gilbert Gil, Board Member

Board Members Absent:

Joseph Huish, Board Member

Tom Tucker, Board Member

Command Staff in Attendance:

Mark Savage, Fire Chief

Linda Romero, Billing Supervisor/Adm Asst

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE/INVOCATION

Mr. McMurtrie led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Gil delivered the invocation.

# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Mr. McMurtrie reminded board members that they shall declare any conflict of interest. No board member declared a conflict at this time.

# CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. McMurtrie opened the call to the public at 7:01 p.m.

There were no comments from the public.

Call to the public closed at 7:01 p.m.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular board meeting minutes of September 20, 2017

Mr. Gil made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2017, regular board meeting. Mr. McMurtrie seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-0

Abstention: 1- Mr. Barnett abstained as he was not present at the September 20,

2017 meeting. Motion Carried

B. Regular board meeting minutes of October 18, 2017

Mr. Gil made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2017, regular board meeting. Mr. Barnett seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-0

Abstention: 1- Mr. McMurtrie abstained as he was not present at the October 18,

2017 meeting. Motion Carried

### OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Chief Savage gave a brief update on Navicure and Tritech. He also advised the board that we have hired a part-time permanent employee for the admin who started this week and is doing a great job.

Chief Savage explained that the Huachuca City Fire Chief was arrested and the Palominas Fire Chief has resigned. He advised that he has reached out to both agencies to offer any assistance they may need.

Calls are running well within our organization.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion and possible action on SBA Contract

Chief Savage reported that there is no new action. Sprint did not agree to go onto the SBA tower; they want to upgrade their antennas. SBA has dropped their monthly rent offer to \$1,100.00. Chief Savage is still in discussion regarding a signing bonus, prepayment of five years rents, tower retention / purchase possibility and a non-compete clause on the Sprint contracts.

B. Discussion and possible action on proposal to assist Huachuca City Fire Department with emergency services

Chief Savage explained that Whetstone Fire District has been assisting Huachuca City Fire Department and providing first responder services in the area. He explained that Whetstone recently consolidated with Bobocomari Fire District, due to the fact that they had no board, personnel, or apparatus. The Babocomari

Fire District was located east of lower Huachuca City; Chief Bidon asked if we wanted Whetstone to take the transports; we declined as it is our CON. There was an article in the paper regarding Huachuca City potentially outsourcing their emergency services. Chief Savage received an informal request for proposals for said services and asked the Board for approval to move forward with developing a few options that would allow us to continue assisting Huachuca City. Chief Savage wants to offer these options so that they can decide on the best solution for their residents.

There was discussion amongst the Chief and Board regarding possible staffing and coverage options.

Mr. Barnett made a motion to empower Chief Savage to approach the Huachuca City Council and continue discussion with Huachuca City to explore services we may be able to provide them. Mr. Gil seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0 Motion Carried

# REQUEST FROM BOARD MEMBERS

There were no requests from the board at this time. Mr. Barnett advised he is scheduled to leave on November 6, 2017, as the funds are approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Barnett made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:43 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Gil.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

DATED THIS 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2017.

James Barnett (Thomas Tucker for James Burnett)

**Board Clerk** 

Fry Fire District Board