

**FRY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
July 15, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ATTENDANCE

Board Members in Attendance: Art Nash, Board Chairman
 Bess Banister, Acting Board Clerk
 Robert McMurtrie, Board Member

Board Members Absent: James Barnett, Board Clerk
 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 Ms. Banister delivered the invocation.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mr. McMurtrie informed the board members that although he had a brief discussion with the District's attorney, who stated that there shouldn't be any conflict of interest, he just wanted to be sure to mention that his brother Steven works at Sierra Vista Fire Department (SVFD), since we will be discussing the integration and future efforts with SVFD.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Nash 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 reminded the board that the presentation by Emergency Services Consulting International (ESCI), on the feasibility study, for board members and

council members, will be held tomorrow (July 16) at 1500 hours (3pm). The presentation will be held at the city council chambers, located on the second floor of City Hall.

We are continuing to work on our regional-wide standard operating procedures and hope to have them completed by the end of the year.

Chief Miller has also been re-elected to the Cochise County Emergency Medical Council as its chairperson.

We had 812 responses for the month of June.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Review, discussion and possible action on the monthly financial reports for June 2015.

Maria presented the Board with account balances as of June 30, 2015, 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 was able to roll over \$136,150 to the Capital Reserve Account, \$40,000 to the Leave Reserve Account and \$594,144.53 to next year's budget, allowing for a levy rate of \$2.977.

Ms. Banister made a motion that the board agree with balances and accept the financial report as presented. Mr. McMurtrie seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3-0
Motion Carried

B. Review and discussion for the warrants issued for the month of June 2015.

Mr. Nash asked why there are multiple checks to the Forestry Division. Maria explained that they are paid as we received the invoices for the work. The expenditures are covered under a grant. Mr. Nash also asked what the check to High Desert Clinic is for. Chief Miller informed the board that our suppression employees have annual Tuberculosis (TB) testing.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular and Budget board minutes of June 17, 2015.

Mr. McMurtrie made a motion to accept the budget meeting minutes of June 17, 2015, and asked that all acronymns in the minutes be spelled out in detail, at least the first time used. Ms. Banister seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3-0
MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Banister made a motion to accept the regular meeting minutes of June 17, 2015. Mr. McMurtrie seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3-0
MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS AGENDA

A. Arizona Fire District Association Report

Chief Miller reported that the annual conference was held in Tucson, with over 285 members attending, representing over 83 fire districts. Both Mr. Nash and Mr. McMurtrie attended from our board.

Chief Miller also sent out the Arizona Fire District Association's Impact of Property Tax Limits for 2015 Study by Pollack and Company. This report will go out to all of our legislators to tell them the potential effects of Prop 117, as well as the current \$3.25 levy cap.

B. Presentation of badge to new employee

Chief Miller explained that our newest firefighter was unable to attend the meeting this evening and we will take the item off the agenda until such time as he is able to make it.

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 stated that there is nothing to report at this time.

ACTION ITEM

- A. None

REQUESTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. McMurtrie asked that an agenda item be added to next month's agenda regarding the ESCI findings. Chief Miller stated that it will certainly be on there.

There were no additional questions/comments/requests from the board for future agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Banister made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:21 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. McMurtrie.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

DATED THIS 17th DAY OF JULY 2015.



Bess Banister

Acting Board Clerk
Fry Fire District Board