

Superstition Fire & Medical District

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Governing Board Meeting Minutes May 21, 2014

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §38.431.02, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE SUPERSTITION FIRE AND MEDICAL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD A MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE SUPERSTITION FIRE AND MEDICAL DISTRICT'S ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 565 N. IDAHO ROAD, APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA.

THIS MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND BEGAN AT 5:30 P.M.

- A. Acting Board Chair Linda Shank called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Acting Chair Shank.
- C. Roll Call showed Acting Chair/Board Clerk Linda Shank, Director Barbara Cobb, Director Jeff Cross, and Director Charlie Fox as present. Board Chairman Todd House was absent.

Senior Leadership in attendance: Assistant Chief Mike Farber and Finance Manager Roger Wood; Legal Counsel Donna Aversa and Board Secretary Rachel Krause were also present for the meeting.

Fire Chief Paul Bourgeois, Assistant Chief David Montgomery, and Assistant Chief Jerome Schirmer were absent.

1. Review and approval of the April 2014 financial reports and bank reconciliations. (BOD #2014-05-01)

Motion by Director Cross to approve the April 2014 financial reports and bank reconciliations. Seconded by Director Cobb. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

2. Recognition of employee performance and/or achievements. (BOD #2014-05-02)

Board Secretary Rachel Krause read the list of service anniversaries for May: with 12 years of service - Firefighter Paul Garcia, Fire Engineer Rob VandeKrol, and Firefighter/Medic Stephan Wagner; and with 1 year of service - Finance Manager Roger Wood.

Lori Hlavin Farber from the Apache Junction Food Bank thanked the Fire District for their assistance in the food drive this past weekend. This is the largest food drive they have ever done, and thanked all the volunteers.

3. Call to the Public. None

- 4. Consideration and possible approval of all consent agenda items as listed below: (BOD #2014-05-03)
 - a. Board Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2014.
 - b. Payment Application #4 from CORE Construction for building construction services.
 - c. Purchase of Fire Studio 5 software from Digital Combustions.
 - d. Purchase of new All American fire hose.
 - e. 'Work for Hire' agreement with Nat Erickson, dba: First Alarm Graphics, LLC for the ownership and control of certain graphic design elements to be used to brand and identify the SFMD.
 - f. Renewal of workers compensation insurance contract with CopperPoint Mutual Insurance Company.
 - g. Renewal of employee medical insurance with Cigna Medical.
 - h. Renewal of employee dental insurance with Assurant Dental.

Motion by Director Cross to approve the consent agenda items for May 21, 2014. Seconded by Director Fox. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the development of the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Revenue and Expenditure Budget and adoption of Resolution 2014-01. (BOD #2014-05-04)

Finance Manager Roger Wood provided a high level summary of budget items that have been discussed over the past board meetings. Budget managers and SLT were diligent and examined every budget item to ensure it is justified. The Expenditure Budget total is \$19,747,453.16.

The Board discussed increasing the tax rate from \$3.05 to \$3.19, in order to increase the amount of money put toward saving for future capital purchases, and that there is also the need to educate the public that the District needs to save for the future and maintain the level of service.

Motion by Director Cobb to adopt Resolution 2014-01, adopting a tentative budget total equivalent to the tax rate of \$3.19 as discussed in the meeting, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 and giving notice to the public of the tentative budget, as well as a time and place for a public meeting to hear comments prior to final adoption of the budget as required by law, and direct staff to make changes as discussed in the meeting. Seconded by Director Cross. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Acting Board Chair Shank added that the public hearing for the budget will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the SFMD Administration Office.

6. Chief's Report (BOD# 2014-05-05)

AFDA Conference is June 26-28.

The Training Center grand opening is June 14, from 7:00-11:00 am.

Captain Amy Brooks recently assisted with the Mesa Fire & Medical Department's Captain promotional interview board.

Training Division Chief Rob Bessee is presenting in Las Vegas this weekend on cardiac care.

SFMD is receiving a Best of the Best award from our workers compensation carrier.

April Pool's Day was again a great event, with about 125 people in attendance.

7. Announcements (BOD# 2014-05-n/a)

Captain Brett Broman was recently promoted to Battalion Chief.

8. Adjourn (BOD# 2014-05-06)

Motion by Director Cross at 6:07 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Director Fox. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Governing Board Approval:

Linda Shank, Board Clerk
Barbara Cobb

Rachel Krause