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GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 23, 2016 – 1000 hrs.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38.431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public that the Pinal Rural Fire Rescue & Medical District held a meeting Thursday, June 23, 2016. The meeting was held at the Pinal Rural Fire Rescue & Medical District's Fire Station 625, 15062 S. Hwy 77, Mammoth, Az. The Board may vote to go into executive session on any agenda item, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (3) for legal advice with the District's attorney on matters as set forth in the agenda item. Board Members or other participants (attorneys) may attend by telephonic conference. The following topics and any variables thereto, will be subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action. All Agenda items are set for possible action.

GENERAL SESSION MINUTES

- A. <u>Call to Order</u> Board Chairman Steve Turcotte called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- B. Roll Call of Board Members: Roll Call showed Board Chairman Steve Turcotte, and Board members Tom Carlson and Georgina Jacquez present. Staff unable to be present due to telephonic difficulties were Fire Chief Rod Prast and Ass't. Chief Glenn Brown. Firefighter Ian Whittaker and Maintenance Supervisor Dave Plummer.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Turcotte
- D. Old Business
 - a. Approval of Minutes: Chairman Turcotte opens discussion/review of regular Board Meeting minutes of April 26, 2016. Motion to approve minutes by Clerk/Director Carlson, Seconded by Director Jacquez. Motion passes 3 votes.
- E. New Business
- 5. <u>Discussion/voting on 2016-17 Budget</u>. (**Resolution 20**/BOD #2016-06-01). Chairman Turcotte confirmed that all board members received a copy of the draft budget prior to this meeting and it has been publically posted for over 3 weeks. No further discussion; Chairman Turcotte called for the vote to accept the proposed 2016-17 budget as written. **Motion**: Second by Director Carlson; **Action**: Board unanimously approves budget.
- 6. <u>Discussion/update on Grants</u>. Chairman Turcotte explains that the District has a motivated, dedicated team in place to make our District successful, and currently working hard to get trucks evaluated/up and running. He also discussed our ongoing successes with Wildland and State grants---award monies will run FY2016 approx. \$57,500 this year vs. FY2015 were \$7550. We have applied to 3 grants for an Engine/Tender combination and awaiting decisions later this year. Our wildland drop tank can be utilized once we acquire a tender, and available to other agencies' use as part of mutual/auto aid. **Motion**: Motion by Chairman Turcotte to allow the District to go get a TAN (tax anticipation notes) to give us some operating monies until we can

get District tax revenues. **Action**: Second by Director Carlson; Board unanimously approves motion.

- 7. <u>Discussion/update on Loan status.</u> Chairman Turcotte explains that the Chairman and Chiefs have been a motivated and dedicated team, working diligently at attempts to secure LOCs and loans to help us achieve operational status. Have secured a Line of Credit that will be in place in the first half of July. No further Board discussion. **Motion**: No Motion/info only. **Action**: No action.
- 8. <u>Discussion/update on mutual aid agreements</u>. Chairman Turcotte explained that fire districts have a process in place for supporting and assisting each other when incidents become too large for single units to handle or are unable to respond. He further read from the Pinal county Fire Chiefs Association Mutual Air Agreement. He noted that all nearby fire districts are a signatory to the agreement with the exception of Dudleyville Fire District. No further Board discussion. **Motion**: No Motion/info only. **Action**: No action.
- 9. <u>Discussion/update on full mission capabilities for District.</u> Chairman Turcotte explained that the district has completed most action items to become fully operational with the exception of obtaining funds to operate.

No further Board discussion. **Motion**: No Motion/info only. **Action**: No action.

10. <u>Chief's Report</u>. Fire Chief Rod Prast provided the Board the Station information report, Fleet apparatus report; Also included was the training report, District billing status, Grant progress report (curr 6 open); Personnel report, Public Relations report, and Communications Report. No further Board discussion. **Motion**: No Motion/info only. **Action**: No action.

11. Call to the Public.

Consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public. Those wishing to address the Pinal Rural Fire Rescue/Medical Board need not request permission in advance. The Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take action on any item raised in the call to the public. However, individual Board members may be permitted to respond to criticism directed to them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or that the matter be placed on a future agenda. The Fire District Board cannot discuss or take legal action on any issue raised during the Call to the Public due to restrictions of the Open Meeting Law.

Future Agenda Items: No future items in discussion

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1119 hrs.