



Golden Valley Fire District

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board of the Golden Valley Fire District met in regular session on **Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.** The meeting was held at the Golden Valley Fire District Public Safety Training Center, located at 423 South Colorado Road, Golden Valley, AZ 86413. 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 may attend by telephonic conference. The following topics and any variables thereto, will be subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action. All items are set for possible action.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER.

- Chairperson Foster called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS.

- Director George Payntar; Director Gary Juneau; Chair Sue Foster; Clerk Tony DeMaio and Director Jack Hommel were all present.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2022

- Director Hommel motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Clerk DeMaio 2nd the motion. All in favor, motioned carried.

5. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

A. October 2022 Operational Report. (Chief Cunningham)

- Chief Cunningham stated for the month of October there were a total of 214 calls; 151 medical, 5 hazardous, 11 false alarms, 7 fire incidents, 20 service calls and 20 good intent calls.

B. Fire Chief's Report. *The governing body may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on this matter unless the specific matter is described in detail. Therefore, action taken as a result of the Chief's report will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. (A.R.S. 38-431.02. K)*

- District properties – Assistant Fire Chief Martin
 - Station 11 – The clothes dryer has quit working; this dryer was from the old Station 11 on Mayer. Currently working on purchasing a new one.
 - Station 12 – Waiting for the garage door to come in, hopefully it will be installed by the first week of December.
- Equipment – Assistant Fire Chief Martin
 - Water Tender 118 the turbo that was replaced has failed; the repairs are being done under warranty. It should be back in service this week.
 - Attack 125 had the injector pump replaced, it came back worked for a while and then went back into limp mode. Metal shavings were found in the line and tank probably from the injector pump imploding into itself and sending the metal shavings into the line and tank. The attack has also had the lift and cooler pump replaced; the mechanic is working on it now.
- Training
 - As mentioned last month, the prison is doing their annual training next month. They are doing a walk-through of that training tomorrow.

- Four engineers have applied for the captain's position which the testing was finished yesterday. All four have passed the testing process. We should have one of them promoted to captain within the next week or two.
- Meetings Attended
 - None
- Projects in the works
 - As mentioned in a previous meeting, we are working on a service contract with Anderson's fuel transfer station. We will try to bring a service contract to the next board meeting.
 - The church group is looking at possibly renting the Public Safety Training Center again. We were hoping to have it at this board meeting; however, they weren't ready.
 - We received the money from the Fire House Subs Grant for the Polaris Ranger XP1000. Funds of \$36,515.50 have been placed into our bank account, so we'll be able to move forward with that purchase. Polaris is already putting it together so we should be able to receive it by January or February 2023.
 - Prop 310 failed by approximately 4%, Mohave County came in second on the list of counties who didn't want this tax. We will have to continue to look into other avenues of bringing money into the district. Maybe look at charging for in district calls as done with the out of district calls, billing the responsible party. Also, bringing back to the board, property tax increases which is what the district chiefs were hoping to avoid.
 - Have not heard anything about the Safer Grant, this would enable us to hire another employee and have it paid for by the federal government for three years.
- Thank-You
 - Great American Pizza held a fundraiser on October 29th, quite a turn out, haven't heard back from them yet. We appreciate them doing this fundraiser for the Fire District.
- Anniversaries
 - Firefighter Sean Arnold seven years.

6. BUSINESS. *Public wishing to speak on agenda items must complete a speaker card and present to the Board Clerk prior to the start of the meeting.*

A. Discussion and possible action regarding: Approval of October 2022 Financial Reports.

(Administration)

- Administrative Assistant Schott noted for the month of October the ending register balance for the warrant account at Wells Fargo Bank was \$1,101,055.85. Capital reserve account at Wells Fargo Bank was \$275,292.59. Payroll account at National Bank of Arizona ending register balance \$34,143.61. Income \$828,435.45; Expenses \$293,177.88.
 - Chairperson Foster motioned to approve as presented. Director Hommel 2nd. All in favor, motion carried.

B. Discussion only: Review records request for the month of October 2022. (Administration)

- Administrative Assistant Schott read the records request for October as follows:
 - 10/03/22 Jessie Heiler, fire report; no records found.
 - 10/17/22 FCA Fire, fire report, ready 10/18/22, 14 pages, collected \$5.00.
 - 10/24/22 Kathleen Jenkins, all calls related to burros, request to vague to process.
 - 10/27/22 Kenn Cates, fire report, ready 10/27/22, 16 pages, no charge to homeowner.
 - No action

C. Discussion and possible action regarding: Set a special meeting date in December 2022 for Election of Officers. (Administration)

- Chief Cunningham stated, per the bylaws, this is the meeting that should be held in the first week of December to elect the Chairperson and Clerk for the next year. Chief Cunningham stated he would like to add to this agenda the announcement of the open board member. The board members discussed what dates they will be available.
 - Chairperson Foster motioned the governing board to schedule this special meeting on December 1st at 9:00 am for the election of officers. Director Hommel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC. *Consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public. Those wishing to address the Golden Valley Fire District 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, unless the item is specifically noticed for discussion or legal action. 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 that is not on the Agenda due to restrictions of the Open Meeting Law.*

- Assistant Fire Chief Martin stated the president, of the Firefighters Association, would like to invite the board members to the Christmas party on December 17th. Please let Mindy know if you are attending so a public notice can be posted. Chief stated a public notice will be done just in case anyone shows up who had not planned to be there. Chief Martin thanked the Board on behalf of the Association and Firefighters for all your hard work.

8. ADJOURNMENT.

- Chairperson Foster adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:20 a.m.

MINUTES prepared by: Bobbie Schott/Mindy Kindelberger
(This is a working draft, until Board approval)

Date: November 16, 2022

By: _____
Board Clerk, Tony DeMaio

Approved: