



Golden Valley Fire District

749 S. Egar Road, Golden Valley, Arizona 86413
Phone: (928) 565-3479 • Fax: (928) 565-3223
www.GoldenValleyFire.org



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, January 25, 2023, 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 Gary Juneau; Chairperson Sue Foster; Clerk Tony DeMaio were all present. Director Jack Hommel was absent.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2022

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

5. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

A. December 2022 Operational Report. (Chief Cunningham)

- Chief Cunningham stated for the month of December there were 243 calls total; 8 fire calls and 174 Rescue and EMS.

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)*

- Pinning Ceremony for firefighter Kenyon Martin, he was promoted from firefighter to Engineer. Fire Chief Cunningham administered the oath of office and Engineer Martin's girlfriend, Michelle, pinned him.
- District properties – Assistant Fire Chief Martin
 - Jose from El Rancho donated his used commercial ice maker similar to the one here. It will be moved to station 13.
 - All the properties are in good shape right now, the garage door was replaced at station 12.
- Equipment – Assistant Fire Chief Martin
 - All vehicles are in service now, we are over the hurdle of major repairs. Now, it is dealing with water leaks and leaking valves. Chief Cunningham's vehicle had the brakes replaced. Assistant Chief Martin's vehicle had to have the heater doors replaced. Now, we are working on items that were placed on hold due to the major repairs that had to be done.
- Training
 - Chief Cunningham stated they have had multi-agency wildland training in the past few weeks with some of the training being held here.

- Chief Cunningham stated he has renewed his certifications for ALS, BLS, and PALS
- Meetings Attended
 - AMR
 - Mohave County Fire Officer's meeting tomorrow.
 - Wildland meetings are usually once a month until wildland season gets kicked off.
 - Chief Martin attended a fire marshal meeting as well as the Western EMS meeting.
- Projects in the works
 - Chief Cunningham stated this is grant season and there are multiple grants that we are trying for. One of the grants is for extrication tools and we are resubmitting for a second attempt at getting a fire engine. Also, we are entering for a grant to receive a public safety training trailer which will be partnered with Yucca Fire District and Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District.
- Thank-You
 - None
- Anniversaries
 - Captain Boyd Lewis twenty years
 - Firefighter Jeremy Celsi four years
- Reminder
 - Arizona Department of Transportation is hosting a virtual meeting tonight at 6:00 pm regarding the interchange at 93 and I40. This is a virtual webex meeting, so you have to login. There is a link on ABC 15's website, click on the link and it takes you to the meeting.

6. VOTE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

- A. The Board of Directors may vote to go into Executive Session on matters pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1) for consideration of interviews with persons interested in filling the vacant seat on the Golden Valley Fire District Board of Directors.
- Chairperson Foster stated that we are going to bypass this executive session since there is only one person in consideration for the board and we already know that he is qualified.
 - No Action

7. 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: Consideration of interviews with persons interested in filling the vacant seat Golden Valley Fire District Board of Directors; Appointment to the Board of Directors to take effect immediately with a term ending on November 30, 2026 and approval of resolution regarding same. (Foster)
- Clerk DeMaio states since there is only one applicant, he makes a motion to appoint Mr. Payntar as board member. Director Juneau 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- B. Discussion and possible action regarding: Oath of office for newly appointed board member. (Foster)
- Oath of office administered by Chairperson Foster. Director George Payntar took his seat as board member.

8. VOTE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

- A. The Board of Directors may vote to go into Executive Session on matters pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice and A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(4) to direct legal counsel regarding the current agency fee schedule and billing for services within the Fire District.
- Clerk DeMaio made a motion to go into executive session. Director Juneau 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Executive session began at approximately 9:25 a.m.
 - Public session re-convened at approximately 10:03 a.m.

9. 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: Fee schedule and billing for services within the Fire District. (Cunningham)
- Clerk DeMaio stated that we are going to have Mr. Cornelius help us with the motion. Mr. Cornelius stated, based on instructions that we received in the executive session, I suggest a motion to the following effect. The fire chief, staff and outside counsel are instructed to review and revise the fee schedule in accordance with best practices and as instructed in executive session for review by the fire board at a regularly scheduled open meeting in the future.
 - Clerk DeMaio stated so moved. Director Juneau 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Discussion: Chief Cunningham asked if the board had any questions for him, Director Payntar asked if we review plans and Chief Cunningham said yes. Director Payntar stated we should charge fees for this service. Chairperson Foster stated this is what the review is for.
- B. Discussion and possible action regarding: Approval of December 2022 Financial Reports. (Administration)
- Comptroller Kindelberger noted for the month of December the ending register balance for the warrant account at Wells Fargo Bank was \$1,463,799.27. Capital reserve account at Wells Fargo was \$74,953.44. Payroll account at National Bank of Arizona ending register balance \$100,000.32. Income \$302,943.13; Expenses \$215,380.12.
 - Director Juneau made the motion to approve the December 2022 financial reports as presented. Director Payntar 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- C. Discussion only: Review records request for the month of December 2022. (Administration)
- Comptroller Kindelberger read the records request for December as follows: 12/28/22 fire report request from Ron Patterson, ready on 01/12/23, 15 pages, no charge. He was the homeowner.
- D. Discussion and possible action regarding: Consideration of boundary change request from ConRoc Ready Mix, LLC and possible signature of resolution to amend the district's boundary. (Cunningham)
- Chief Cunningham asked the board to table this until next month since we did not receive the application back in time with the proper signatures.
 - Clerk DeMaio made a motion to table until next month. Director Juneau 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

10. 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.*

- None

11. ADJOURNMENT.

- Chairperson Foster adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:11 a.m.

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

Date: 01/25/2023