

Golden Valley Fire District

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

The Governing Board of the Golden Valley Fire District met in a special session on **Wednesday**, **December 6**, **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 9:01 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

• Director George Payntar; Director Gary Juneau; Chair Sue Foster; Director Jack Hommel were all present. Clerk Tony DeMaio attended via telephone.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- **4. 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 lease and escrow agreements relating to the financing of two fire engines; approval of resolution regarding same. (Cunningham)
 - Chief Cunningham stated that I just got the vendor invoice late last night and there is a difference of \$14K. I will get with the vendor and find out why. The lease documents were prepared for \$1,736,702 for the two fire engines. DeMaio asked if we approve this today then there may be an increase later. The Chief replied that there may not be that increase, we have not made any changes to the order that would increase the quote by \$14K. Director Payntar asked about the \$34k savings in interest. Comptroller Kindelberger replied that when we presented this to the board initially the terms were annual payments with the first payment being interest only. Staff looked at other terms and decided that doing quarterly payments and not doing the interest only payment will save \$34,088.64 in interest over the course of the loan. As for the increase, the district would owe that to the vendor when the vehicles are delivered. The lease documents are with our attorney for review. Director Juneau stated that would be better than redoing the lease documents and also, we won't be paying interest on that 14k. Comptroller Kindelberger stated that when the loan is funded the funds will be placed into an escrow account. When the vehicles are ready, we will place insurance on them and sign the release for the funds from escrow to the vendor. The chief stated that it will be 18 to 24 months for delivery of these vehicles.
 - Chairperson Foster motioned the Governing Board approve the lease and escrow agreements for the purchase of two fire engines and the resolution pending legal counsels review and authorize the Board Chairperson and Board Clerk to sign the documents. Director Juneau 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.
- **5. 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 Meeting Date: December 6, 2023

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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

6. ADJOURNMENT

• Chairperson Foster adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:15 a.m.

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By:	Approved:
By:Board Clerk, Tony DeMaio	Approved: