



# 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, March 25, 2026, 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 public will have physical access to the meeting place at 8:45 a.m. 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

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

#### 2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

- Pro Tem Chairperson Sue Foster, Director Gary Juneau and Director Pamela Perata were present; Chairman Tony DeMaio was absent.

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2026
- B. Executive Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2026
- C. Special Meeting Minutes for March 12, 2026
  - Director Juneau motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Director Perata 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

#### 5. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. February 2026 Operational Report. (Chief Cunningham)
  - Chief Cunningham reported that there was a total of 228 calls; 34 fire and 171 EMS/rescue.
- 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)*
  - Properties – Chief Martin
    - PSTC – Ice machine is now in service
    - Station 13 – Ice machine that was donated was put installed and worked for a little bit and now needs maintenance

- Equipment – Chief Martin
  - Engine 131 is back in service
  - Engine 121 went out of service yesterday; has a transmission issue; EVR is coming today to look at it
  - Attack 135 got the motor installed and everything is good
  - 2011 Dodge needs a motor also, probably bringing the board the cost for the new motor. Fixing this would provide a reserve attack unit.
  - Expecting the new attack from Rebel by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026; going out to station 13
- Training – Chief Martin
  - Western Arizona Fire Marshals training
- Meetings – Chief Martin
  - Mohave County Officers Meeting, Prehospital Care Committee, Western Arizona Fire Marshals at Desert Hills
- Projects in the works – Chief Martin
  - Tower at the Training Center
- Thank you received from Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District’s Fire Chief Matthew McDowell thanking the GVFD Fire Board and Chief Cunningham for the generous donation of a LIFEPAK 15

**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 the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 audit by Saunders Company, LTD. (Administration)**

- James Saunders attended the meeting via telephone. Mr. Saunders introduced himself and thanked the board for having their firm back again to do the audit. He stated they reviewed the financial records, financial statements and looked to make sure the annual statements are presenting in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and the Rules Governing Statements in the United States. Arizona requires three reports, the first report is the Independent Auditors Report in which their firm looks to find everything correct and in good order. The second report is the Government Auditing Standards which consists of internal controls and compliance, to which our firm found no deficiencies with internal controls and no violations of rules, laws, and regulations for this report. The third and last part compliance to report to the county that you will not spend more money than you have available in the year. In the Saunders Group opinion, the district complied with the requirement for the year and did not overspend what was available. Those reports are the required elements that we are required to report on for the audit and financial statements in the State of Arizona. James asked if the board had any questions, the board responded with no they didn’t have any questions.
  - Director Juneau motioned that the Governing Board approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 audit as presented. Director Perata 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

**B. Discussion and possible action regarding: Approval of February 2026 Financial reports. (Administration)**

- Comptroller Kindelberger noted for the month of February that the ending register balance for the warrant account at Wells Fargo was \$1,226,216.42; payroll account ending register balance at National Bank of Arizona was \$25,185.94; and the capital reserve account ending register balance at Wells Fargo was \$641,396.78. Revenue \$271,732.53 and Expenses \$335,107.77.

- Director Perata motioned to approve the February 2026 financial reports as presented. Director Juneau 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

C. Discussion and possible action regarding: Add check signer Pamela Perata to National Bank of Arizona account ending #1439 and Wells Fargo Bank warrant account #6156590.

(Administration)

- Pro Tem Chairperson Foster motioned to approve adding Pamela Perata as a check signer to the National Bank of Arizona account ending #1439 and Wells Fargo Bank warrant account #6156590. Director Juneau 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

D. Discussion and possible action regarding: Possible contract with AMR River Medical for living quarters at Station 16. (Cunningham)

- Chief Cunningham updated the board that he spoke with AMR's administration about possibly putting an ambulance at station 16; they seem interested in doing so. Chief's main goal is to have more EMS presence in the area; Chief did some research and spoke with a realtor; the calculation came to \$742.00 per month; AMR was presented that amount and told Chief they are willing to pay a flat amount of \$1,000 for rent per month to make sure utilities are covered. There was a brief conversation on reasons why AMR being at station 16 is beneficial.

- Pro Tem Chairperson Foster directed Chief Cunningham to move forward.

**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.*

- None

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

- Pro Tem Chairperson Foster adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:25 a.m.

**MINUTES prepared by:** Tonia Sakusky  
(This is a working draft until board approval)

**Date:** 03/25/2026

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sue Foster, Board Clerk

Approved: