

Mayer Fire District
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 17, 2019 5:00PM
Mayer Fire Administration

1 Call to order

Chairman Coe called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

2 Pledge of allegiance

3 Roll Call of members

Present were Chairman Coe, Clerk Madsen, Member Baca, Member Montgomery, Member Junkins. All present.

4 Call to the public *(The Fire Board can only respond to items on the Agenda, Comments limited to two minutes each.)*

There was no public comment.

5 Chief's Report:

a) Monthly and year-to-date financials

b) Current event report

Chief McGhee reviewed the financials and current events. A copy of this report is filed with the packet for this meeting.

Correction: Member LaGreca stated that the Gila River grant application for radios was recently submitted and is still active. It was the Firehouse Subs grant for a chest compression machine that we did not receive. We are re-submitting for that also.

6 Mayer Chapter of the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local #3066 (the Union) report

Member LaGreca, proxy for Union Representative Alanis, stated there was nothing to report.

7 Combined Committee (Budget, Labor, and Policy & Procedure) update

There was not an update for this committee.

8 Consent Agenda

Member Baca motioned to approve Consent Agenda items 8a-h. Clerk Madsen seconded the motion. The vote was Aye-5, No-0. All voting Aye. Motion carried.

9 The Board may vote to go into Executive Session for legal advice with Attorney, Douglas V. Fant, (may appear in person, or telephonically) regarding the Attorney General's investigation results to an Open Meeting Law Complaint

The Board did not vote to go into Executive Session.

10 The Attorney General's investigation results to an Open Meeting Law Complaint

Legal advises that we have a meeting to ratify the canvass of the election and the resignation of former board member Ed Wesolowski.

Attorney Douglas Fant stated that the AG's office adopted our investigation report basically verbatim and made the decision from that point. The AG will not pursue the complaint of violation if the Board has a meeting to ratify the actions in question.

The Board agreed to have the meeting Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 5:00 pm.

11 2019 / 2020 Budget

Chief McGhee asked that he be allowed to tie items #10 and #14 together in this discussion since it has to do with the budget. Chairman Coe agreed.

Chief McGhee said he has drafts for two proposed budgets; one for 5-on-duty and one for 6-on-duty staffing in preparation for what he expects the Union will want to see. He expects that when the Union meets, they will not be in favor of closing a station.

Chief McGhee believes a 3-man engine is safer and the options of closing a station, or running only one ambulance to achieve a 3-man engine is not serving our citizens properly.

Chairman Coe stated that the CON (Certificate of Necessity) could be at risk due to longer response times if stations are closed.

Chief McGhee restated that does not advocate closing a station and does not believe the Union will either.

Our goal should be to get more money in our capital account and keep building it.

Chief McGhee and Chairman Coe agree we are stable right now.

Member LaGreca stated that the Union does not advocate closing a station.

Member Haney stated the intent of the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant was to provide a 3-man engine with advanced life support (ALS) all the time. This grant won't be awarded until October/November of this year.

12 Approval for submitting a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant application

Member Junkins voted to approve the SAFER grant application for submission. Member Baca seconded the motion. The vote was Aye-5, No-0. All voting Aye. Motion carried.

13 Proposal to replace microwave technology system presented by Paul Giovanni with MerIT

Paul Giovanni was not present at the meeting to present this item.

Item tabled

14 Five or Six firefighters on duty for 2019 / 2020 fiscal year

Discussed in item 11.

15 Update on the financial forecast

Discussed in item 11.

16 Future Agenda items

Items #11, #13

17 Future meeting dates

Special meeting Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 5:00pm.

The next regular board meeting will be Wednesday May 15, 2019 at 5:00pm.

18 Adjournment

Chairman Coe motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Baca seconded the motion.

The vote was Aye-5, No-0. All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Coe adjourned the meeting at 5:33pm.

Michelle Baca

Clerk Madsen

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Date