

Mayer Fire District
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 19, 2023 4:30 PM
Mayer Fire Administration

1 Call to order

Chairman Thurman called the meeting to order at 4:31 P.M.

2 Pledge of allegiance

3 Roll Call of members

Present were Chairman Thurman, Clerk Tang, Member Junkins, Member Lundeen. Member Baca to join electronically later.

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

Chief Smith reviewed his monthly report with the Board.

The County indicates as of today, we are about \$100,000 in the red, which is about normal for this time of year due to no tax money coming in this time of year. We are still waiting on \$40,000 from a grant reimbursement due any time. There is about \$30,000 in wildland billing still out.

Ambulance billing is doing great. Last month it was at about \$105,000, which is well above normal.

The chart of accounts has been updated as of the start of the fiscal year, July 1, 2023. This will make it easier to track expenses than with the previous version and align more closely with the County account.

b) Current event report

A/C is out on Rescue parked at station #22. There were other minor repairs on apparatus this week.

The on-demand water heater pump caught on fire while firefighters were in the bay. So, it was caught and put out immediately. There was no damage to the station or the water heater.

There have been two significant house fires in the last two weeks.

There have been a couple lightning strike fires and various other fires in the area.

All wildland firefighters are back. There were quite a few out for about three weeks.

No word on station grant yet.

Firefighter Steve Valdez retired at the beginning of July after 18 years with MFD (Mayer Fire District). The ceremony was last weekend. The Honor Guard did a great job.

They have also been busy with other events and have been doing a great job.

AFG (Assistance to Firefighters Grants) grants have started to be awarded for the current cycle. No word on any of our applications yet.

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

Captain Rudy Armenta reported.

The CAFMA (Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority) chapter requested a list of our union membership for an audit. There are a few new full-time members that have not been voted into the Union yet. Capt. Armenta will be working on getting that done and updating the CAFMA chapter. He has been working with BC Alanis to make the transition to the Chapter Representative. He received the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) and will be working on that, as well.

Steve Valdez gave a very heartfelt farewell speech at his retirement ceremony. It was a little sad, and also very happy that he was able to finish out his career. The current board members are a big part of the positive change and have made everyone very happy, including having Chief Smith on our side.

The members would like to thank the Board for adopting the new budget. Everyone is very very happy and excited for the new

pay raises and everything moving forward with that. Capt. Armenta thanked the Board for all of their support.

7 Consent Agenda

Member Junkins motioned to accept the consent agenda items a-h as posted.

Clerk Tang seconded the motion. The vote was Aye-4, No-0. All present voting Aye. Motion carried.

8 Emergency beacon signs-update from Member Lundeen

Member Lundeen has recently re-submitted the documents to ADOT (Arizona Department of Transportation). There has been no feedback, as of today.

9 Update on solar farm

Chairman Thurman stated that State Land has approved the solar farm and it is going to auction in August. There will be an update on that next month.

10 Possibly changing the monthly meeting time.

No action taken.

11 Future Agenda items

Agenda item 8

12 Future meeting dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 4:30 P.M.

Member Baca joined the meeting electronically at 5:10 P.M.

13 Adjournment.

Member Junkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Tang seconded the motion. The vote was Aye-5, No-0. All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Thurman called the meeting adjourned at 5:17 P.M.


Clerk Tang

Date

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