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Joint Board Meeting/Work Session Minutes

August 28, 2025

1. Call Meeting to Order: **The meeting was called to order at 4:11pm by Susan Sewell.**
2. Pledge of Allegiance: **All attending participated.**
3. Roll Call: **QFD: TC Collier, Travis Freedman, Phil Cushman (joined by cell at 6:24) MVFD: Pam Wolfe Brady, Susan Sewell, Teena Conrad, Judie New and Sam Rees. Dave Collier was absent.**
4. Discussion Possible action: Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

QFD 7-22-25: TC Collier made a motion to approve the minutes and Treasurer's Report and the minutes from 7-22-25, Travis Freedman seconded and the motion carried unanimously by the quorum present.

MVFD 7-24-2025: Teena Conrad made a motion to approve the minutes and the Treasurer's Report of 7-24-25, Pam Wolfe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
5. Call to the Public: **The public spoke on several of their concerns. Several comments were for guest speakers from AFMA, concerns for the districts financial well being were admonished and concerns for on duty members staying on the premises of the fire station crew's quarters were expressed.**
6. Discussion/Possible action: Presentation with members of Arizona Fire and Medical Authority: **The guest speakers from AFMA were as follows: Assistant Chief Eric Kriwer, Assistant Chief Kane Nixon and Captain Johnny Padilla provided a question-and-answer session for the public and the Fire Boards of the McMullen Valley and Quartzsite Fire Districts.**
7. Discussion and Possible Action (by each Board separately) re: possible approval of Waiver of Conflict of Interest and Consent to Joint Representation by legal counsel, in conjunction with the possible merger between the Quartzsite Fire District and the McMullen Valley Fire District. **Sam Rees made a motion on behalf of MVFD to approve the Waiver of Conflict of Interest and Consent. Pam Wolfe-Brady seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. Travis Freedman made a motion on behalf of QFD to approve the Waiver of**

Conflict of Interest and Consent. TC Collier seconded and the motion carried unanimous among the quorum present.

8. Discussion and Possible Action re: possible merger between the Quartzsite Fire District and the McMullen Valley Fire District.
 - a. Quartzsite Fire District: Discussion and possible action re: possible approval of Resolution # 2025-8-28-QFD, Directing that a Merger with the McMullen Valley Fire District be Considered and Calling for a Public Hearing regarding the same. **Travis Freedman made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-28-1-QFD. TC Collier seconded and the motion carried unanimously among the quorum present.**
 - b. McMullen Valley Fire District: Discussion and possible action re: possible approval of Resolution # 2025-8-28-MVFD, Directing that a Merger with the Quartzsite Fire District be Considered and Calling for a Public Hearing regarding the same. **Teena Conrad made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-28-1-MVFD. Judie New seconded and the motion carried unanimously.**
9. Adjourn Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 5:32pm by Susan Sewell.

Susan Sewell, Chairperson

Teena Conrad, Clerk

Philip Cushman, Chairperson

Dave Collier, Clerk