



La Paz Unified **Fire**-Medical District
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Serving: Quartzsite, La Paz Valley, Rainbow Acres, Vicksburg, Hope, Brenda, Harcuvar, Salome and Wenden -EST 2025

Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 21, 2026

1. Call Meeting to Order: **Called to order at 6:04pm by Chairperson Susan Sewell.**
2. Pledge of Allegiance: **All in attendance participated.**
3. Roll Call: **Susan Sewell, Philip Cushman, Pam Wolfe-Brady, Travis Freedmen and TC Collier. Staff Present: W. Aaron and L.Collier.**
4. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Discussion/ Possible Action re: Approval of Financials and Treasurer's Reports for the month of April 2026.
 - B. Discussion/ Possible Action re: Approval of minutes for the meetings on 4-16-2026, 4-28-2026 and 5-7-2026. **P.Cushman made a motion to approve the consent agenda. T.Freedman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**
5. Old Business: Discussion/ Possible Action
 1. Fire Chief's Report: **Discussion Only**
6. **Call to the Public:** Those wishing to address the 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 due to restrictions under Open Meeting Law. However, individual Board Members may respond to criticism directed toward them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or that the matter be placed on a future agenda. **None**
7. **Discussion / Possible Action** re: Resolution 2026-05-02: A resolution authorizing the establishment of a government purchasing card program. **The board discussed the resolution and policy establishment as outlined. P.Wolf-Brady made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-05-02, TC. Collier seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

8. Public Hearing to hear taxpayers' comments on the proposed Quartzsite Fire District and McMullen Valley Fire District budgets for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. **Citizen Patti Rinehart asked questions regarding the budget payroll numbers and the possible addition of more full-time personnel. Acting Chief Aaron explained the rationale to Patti and to the fire board. Patti also asked about the auditor general forms and the ambulance contract revenue documentation. Acting Chief Aaron stated this would be looked into further to correct any documentation methods that are not up to common practice.**

9. Discussion/ Possible Action re: Approval and adoption of Resolution 2026-05-03: FY 2026-2027 budgets for Quartzsite Fire District and McMullen Valley Fire District. **The board discussed the presented budget and Resolution 2026-05-03. Board Clerk P.Cushman made a motion to approve and adopt the FY 2026-2027 budgets for Quartzsite Fire District and McMullen Valley Fire District. T.Freedman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

10. Adjourn Meeting. **Chairperson S.Sewell adjourned the meeting at 7:01pm.**

The next scheduled board meeting is June 25th, 2026, at 18:00.

Susan Sewell, Chairperson

Philip Cushman, Clerk