

**MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NORTHERN CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT
#1 GOVERNING BOARD
THURSDAY, May 4, 2017**

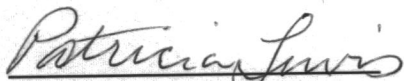
The Governing Board of the Northern Consolidated Fire District #1 met in special session this 4th day of May, 2017 at 2485 Northern Avenue, in North Kingman, (Kingman, AZ, 86409).

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lewis at 6:00 P.M.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chairperson Lewis led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS** – All Board Members were present. – Board Chair Patti Lewis, Board Clerk Sue Wilkin, Directors Jim Bailey, Mike Collins, and Victor Riccardi.
4. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION** – Board Chair Lewis turned discussion over to Special Committee.
 - A. **Review of Fire Chief Applications and Possible Scheduling of Interviews** – Director Collins stated that the scoring system used was designed by Legal Counsel Bill Whittington and Director Collings for the Special Committee to review applications received for Fire Chief Position. Director Bailey stated that information used on scoring system was taken from information provided on applications. Highest score was Glenn Brown, Prescott Valley. Second, Robert Hume, California. Third, Robert Jarvis Jr, Mesa. Fourth, Mario Acosta, Colorado. Fifth, Wayne Eder, Interim Fire Chief. Director Collins makes motion to schedule interviews with top 3 candidates at next board meeting, appearing telephonically if needed, limiting each interview to 30 minutes, and going into executive session for interviews. Seconded by Director Bailey. Board Chair Lewis and Board Clerk Wilkin voted yay. Director Riccardi did not vote. Motion passes 4-0.
5. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC** – Arthur Garnica, lives on 3902 E Packard Avenue, been in district since 2001. He asked how he (Interim Chief Eder) left district in debt. How did he not score high enough? Addressing Directors' Collins and Bailey, do you have personal issues? I think a different agenda is going on in your program, it's not right. I don't think he left you in debt. You guys are the ones who are supposed to look out for us. Director Bailey stated that Director Collins and he were not board members until 2008. Board Chair Lewis and Director Riccardi were on the Board at that time. Director Bailey told him that he could make a Public Records Request.
6. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** – Director Riccardi stated that he has a problem with the whole thing going on. Have 5 applicants, and I've seen this meeting held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when people couldn't be available. People work, and people are doing things. I feel, and I read all the applications, and not because I have known Eder for a long time, and I know a few of these other people also, and the recommendations that I see here are not exactly what I would recommend. I feel that we should have all 5 of them if necessary, and have them all here. Not just these 3 recommendations, this is not very fair, not in my eyes. I feel that the right thing to be done, would be at this next meeting coming up, at the official meeting, and if we have to go into executive session, then we would be capable of doing that, not with what was in the newspaper, and not with what was posted. You folks did not have that ability or the

legal way to do it. I feel that the right way would be to bring in all 5 of these people if necessary, and interview each one of them, in front of everybody, and do it in a proper manner. Director Bailey stated that it was a committee meeting at 2 o'clock. Director Riccardi asked who called the meeting. Director Collins answered the committee. The Board voted on it. Director Riccardi stated that they are both against the man, against what he is doing. You two are accusing him of things that are totally irresponsible, and I feel that this whole thing is a big farce. So now I want to ask that we have all 5 of these applicants at this coming meeting, and let the Board interview each one of them. If we have to go into executive session at that time, then we will have the legal opportunity to do it. Not what you people have done. Director Collins asked what Vic was talking about. Director Bailey stated that through the direction of the Board at the last meeting, they were to bring the top 3 candidates from the special committee, Mike volunteered for it and I told him I would help him with it. And you voted yes on it. Director Riccardi asked; Did I? Director Bailey told him that he did, and to look at his minutes. Director Riccardi stated you look at them. Director Bailey stated that he was there; he remembers what happened, and doesn't need to read the minutes. Director Riccardi asked: The committee was formed by who? Director Bailey told him that he had voted yes for Mike and him to do it. Check the records. Director Riccardi stated you check them. And he stated that is what he recommends to be done. I've got problems with 2 of the 3 that I've seen and their applications. Member of public Arthur Garnica, stated that when they came out here they built Station 3, grants, donations, the land was donated from one of the Board Members, I can't remember which one, her (pointing to Board Chair Lewis), I was there when they put the rock up there, were you there? No, you weren't huh? Director Bailey stated that he was born and raised in this town. Don't sit there and try to chew me down and tear me up. You don't have any idea what you're talking about, just leave me alone. Arthur stated he was raised in this town, he has been here. Director Bailey stated that he was glad that Arthur was part of the district, but don't start chewing on me.

- 7. ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Director Collins at 6:15 P.M. Seconded by Director Bailey.

These minutes were prepared by Lynn Hucker this 8th day of May, 2017.


Patricia Lewis, Board Chair


Sue Wilkin, Board Clerk